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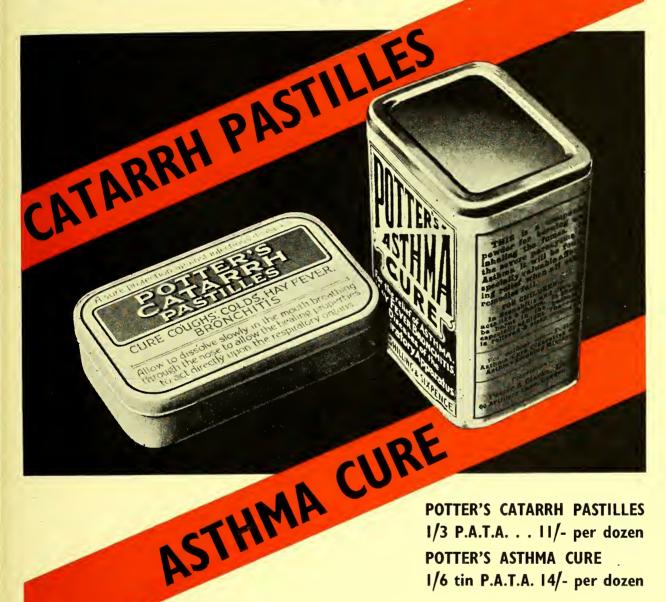
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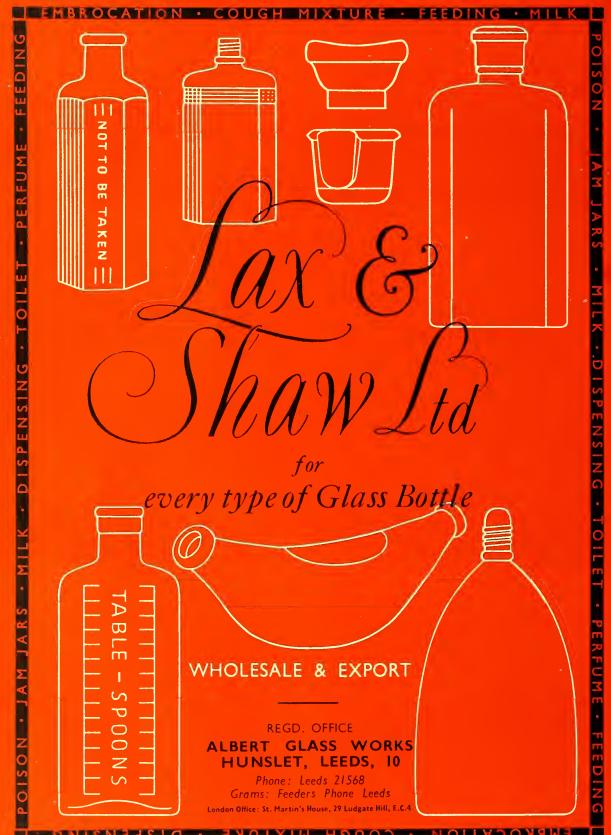


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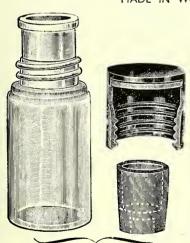
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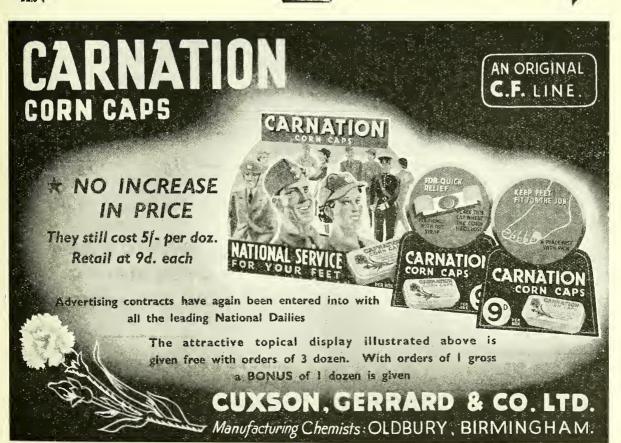
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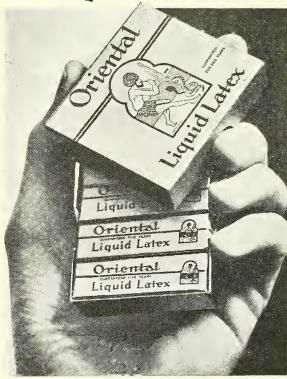


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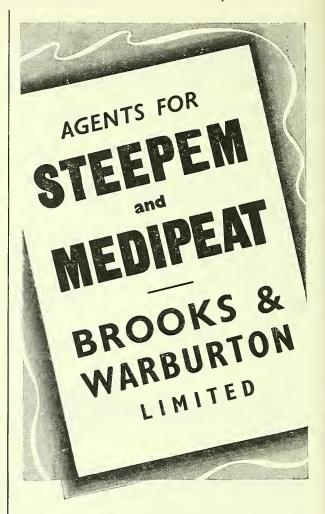
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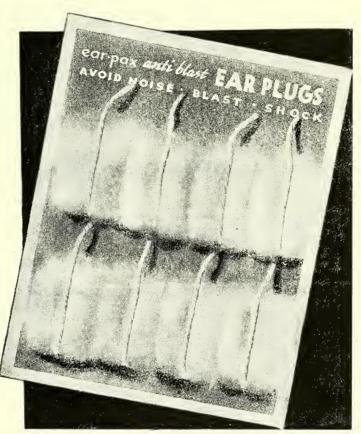
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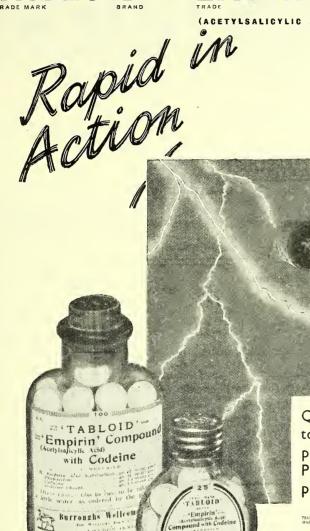
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Sulphuric Acid Import Licences.—The Board of Trade announces applications for import licences for sulphuric acid must be made luplicate to the Ministry of Supply, Sulphuric Acid Control, 19 keley Square, Bristol, 8. Application forms are to be had from Import Licensing Department, Board of Trade, 25 Southampton ldings, London, W.C.2, or any office of H.M. Customs and Excise.

Chemical Engineers Must Register.—An Order has been made by Minister of Labour, the effect of which is that professional engineers certain qualifications, including chemical engineers, must now ly for enrolment on the Central Register. The Order does not apply regineers already enrolled on the Central Register either directly or bugh professional institutions. Application must be made immediation in writing to the Ministry of Labour, Central Register, Box 111, th-Western District Office, London, S.W.I.

Control of Communications.—The Ministry of Information has ed the Control of Communications (No. 5) Order (S.R. & O., 1940, 1190) which, while relating mainly to printed matter, also prohibits ort of "any goods or commodities," except under censorship mit, to a number of countries, including Afghanistan, Bulgaria, na, Estonia, Finland, France, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Iran, an, Latvia, Lithuania, Portugal, Rumania, Saudi Arabia, Spain, eden, Switzerland, Thailand, Turkey, U.S.S.R., Jugo-Slavia, or any endencies of these territories or of Belgium, Denmark, Holland Norway.

Photographic Manufacturers' Home Trade Group.—The Governat has made it known that its contact with industry must be effected ough trade organisations representing the industry concerned and through individual firms engaged in it. To meet this situation in far as it affects firms manufacturing photographic goods in the ited Kingdom, and also to act in other matters of general concern its members, a Photographic Manufacturers' Home Trade Group has in formed by some fifty firms representing the interest indicated. nufacturers who wish to join the group should apply to Mr. Edward ith, Cassio Photographic Paper Co., Ltd., Watford.

Rationing of Glucose.—Since the recent announcement by the nistry of Food (C. & D., June 29, p. 455) that the allocation of cose to manufacturers of medicinal preparations and drugs will nain at 100 per cent. of pre-war usage after July 1, 1940, numerous uiries have been received from the trade for further information on subject. Some of the questions raised were submitted to the nistry of Food, who have now explained the position as follows: nufacturing chemists who are packers of glucose for re-sale as such receive an allocation of 100 per cent. of pre-war usage for this pose; manufacturers of purely medicinal articles containing glucose lutions for injection, etc.) will also receive the 100 per cent. allocation; spitals and other institutions using considerable quantities of cose for medicinal purposes will receive 100 per cent. of their rerements; the allocation in the case of medicated confectionery will 50 per cent. of pre-war usage. It is understood that manufacturing emists and others concerned will be required to declare the exact rooses for which the glucose is to be used, and heavy penalties may imposed if false declarations are made. The Ministry points out that hough in present circumstances it is possible to allow the quantities cified above, the allocations may have to be altered according to riations in available supplies.

London Chemists' Golfing Society.—A meeting was held at Crews Hill Golf Club recently when the winner of the silver spoon was W. A. C. Attwood (81-6=75). The next meeting will be held on Sunday, July 21, at Brookmans Park Golf Club.

Strike Settled.—After lasting a week a strike at the Basin Lane, Dublin, premises of Irish Pharmaceuticals, Ltd., has been settled. Adult employees have been granted an increase of ten shillings and juveniles of five shillings per week. A new agreement with the employees' union provides for payment during illness.

Manchester Golf.—The Manchester Pharmaceutical Golfing Society played a four-ball competition against bogey at Timperley Golf Club on July 10 for prizes presented by Robinson & Sons (Chesterfield), Ltd., Chesterfield. Two pairs, with a score of one up, tied for first place; these were F. D. Gee and J. Dearden; T. Miller and H. Marsden.

Medical Auxiliary Services.—The second edition of the National Register of Medical Auxiliary Services (Chiropodists) has recently been issued by the Board of Registration of Medical Auxiliaries, British Medical Association House, Tavistock Square, London, W.C.I., which contains the names, addresses, and qualifications of persons engaged in chiropody.

Inquests.—At Blackburn, recently, an open verdict was returned at an inquest on Kathleen M. Higham, whose death was stated to be due to an overdose of adalin.—At Epsom, on July 15, an inquiry was held into the circumstances attending the death from veronal poisoning of Dr. Felix Plaut, described as a medical research scientist. A suicide verdict was recorded.

B.P.C. Dressings.—A Supplement to the British Pharmaceutical Codex, 1934, containing additions to the number of surgical dressings listed in Part II (consisting of fifteen monographs on standard dressings and a monograph on Euflavine lint) has been published by the Pharmaceutical Press, 17 Bloomsbury Square, London, W.C.I, price 2s. The standard dressings include the following: Double cyanide and fomentation dressings; four elastic adhesive wound dressings; six first-aid dressings; and three burn dressings. Component parts of the dressings must conform to the standards included in this supplement or, unless otherwise stated, to the standards included in the B.P.C., 1934.

Air Raids.—The Ministry of Home Security has issued a pamphlet called "Air Raids: What you must know: What you must do." This concise A.R.P. course for the general public deals with such subjects as protection against bombs, behaviour during and after a raid, how to deal with incendiary bombs and war gases, and contains a simple first-aid course. It tells the householder all about the warning system, how to make repairs to his house after a raid, and contains a wealth of practical information on all these subjects. The book is illustrated with photographs and diagrams. It can be obtained through any newsagent, price 3d. or post free from H.M. Stationery Office, York House, Kingsway, London, W.C.2, price 4d.

Genatosan Scholarship Scheme.—Prizewinners in the scholarship scheme organised by Genatosan, Ltd., were: I (£50), Miss Greta Lancaster, West End Villas, Flimby, Maryport, Cumberland (apprenticed to Mr. F. Douglas, M.P.S., 30 Finkle Street, Workington; 2 (£25), Miss M. Hall, 3 The Poplars, Bacup, Lancashire (apprenticed to Mr. F. Hitchen, M.P.S., 43 Market Street, Bacup); 3 (£10), Mr. T. H. Ford, 51 Charlotte Road, Sheffield, I (student at Leicester College of Technology); consolation prizes (£5 each), Mr. W. W. Binns, 2 Sycamore Street, Stocks Lane, Barnsley (apprenticed to Billington & Sons, Eldon Street, Barnsley); Mr. F. Wayne, 91 Broad Walk, Kidbrooke, London, S.E.3 (apprenticed to Stickland & Co., South Kensington, London).

PROPRIETARY ARTICLES TRADE **ASSOCIATION**

The quarterly meeting of the Council of the Proprietary Articles Association was held on July II, the president (Mr. H. H. Marshall) in the chair. A resolution expressing sympathy with the treasurer (Mr. A. T. Webb) in a serious illness was passed. The Council appointed Mr. Lindsey Barclay Acting Treasurer for the time being.

New Rule.—Adoption by the Council of the following new rule (27A) was moved by Mr. Skues and seconded by Mr. Garcia:

Local Secretaries. The Council may appoint from members of the retail section of the Association honorary local secretaries. In the event of any honorary local secretary ceasing to be a member of the Association, his appointment shall automatically terminate.

The rule was adopted by unanimous vote of the Council. Rule IO(A)

was amended to read as follows :-

The last day for nominations to be October 25. In the event of insufficient nominations being received to fill the vacancies, the section concerned shall have the right at its next meeting to make up nominations to the required number to fill vacancies on the Council.

Prices of Goods Act.—The Council considered the following report of the Executive Committee: By the Prices of Goods (Price Regulated Goods) Order, 1940, dated May 10, the Board of Trade included in the schedule of goods subject to the provisions of the Prices of Goods Act practically all preparations included in the P.A.T.A. Protected List. The Order came into force on June 10. After careful consideration of the position, the Executive Committee decided to apply to the Central Price Regulation Committee for a ruling that would ensure recognition by the Central Committee as "permitted prices" of a list, based on the Association's Protected List and Year Book, of proprietary articles that had been increased in price since August 21, 1939. The Executive Committee had furnished the Committee with full particulars of price increases that had taken place and had offered to provide any relevant information they might require. Representatives of the Executive Committee, with the secretary, have also had an interview with the deputy-chairman of the Committee and dealt with various points raised by him. The Executive Committee's application is receiving the attention of the Central Committee.

Purchase Tax.—The Committee have watched closely the provisions of the proposed Purchase Tax and the Bill now before Parliament, and have submitted suggestions to the Commissioners of Customs and Excise and endorsed representations made on behalf of pharmacy and drug trade organisations that exempted goods listed in the fourth schedule to the Bill should be extended to include "medical and surgical appliances, surgical dressings, drugs and medicines.

Limitation of Supplies Order.—On behalf of its manufacturing and wholesale members, the Association has obtained from the Department rulings on a number of items that had given rise to doubts as to their inclusion in classes to which the Limitation of Supplies Order applies. Special difficulties in which wholesalers of goods affected by the Order will be involved have been made clear to the Board of Trade and further representations on the subject are to be submitted.

Salvaging of Packing Materials, etc.—The Committee have considered the suggestion made by certain manufacturers that the P.A.T.A. should co-operate in salvaging from retailers used packing cases, cartons and similar material. The Committee's view is that it is not practicable for the Association to undertake this work which, in their opinion, would be more efficiently handled by individual manufacturers. The report and recommendations were endorsed.

Price-maintenance Work.—The quarterly report on the Association's price-maintenance work stated that during the past quarter the price-cutting position throughout the country had shown further improvement. Only sixty-six new cases of price-cutting had been reported, and of these fifty-two had been adjusted. Names of thirty traders had been removed from the Stop List; of these, fourteen who had previously acted as price-cutters had ceased cutting, and sixteen others had closed down their businesses. Investigation work had continued and increased during the past three months. Over a thousand test purchases of coded goods had been made, principally from persistent cutters in the Metropolitan area. In 223 cases the source of supply had been traced and suitable action taken. Recently certain cutters had been found in possession of goods believed stolen from a manufacturer's warehouse. A number of traders, including chemists, had been placed on the Stop List for being traced as sources of supply to cutters; others for purchasing P.A.T.A. goods in abnormal quantities.

Alterations to Protected List.—Bob Martin, Ltd., Martinmilk, 1s. 1od., 17s. 6d. doz.; 6s. 6d., 6rs. 6d. doz. Parke, Davis & Co., Mapharside tablets, veterinary, 0.006 gm., sugar-coated (100's) 12s. 6d., 9s. each. Prices apply also in Ireland (Eire). Western Dental Manufacturing Co., Ltd., Sotol dental cream, 1s. 3d., 9s. 1os. doz.; one gross, 9s. 7d. doz. Westminster Laboratories, Ltd., Bonomint laxative chewing gum, 2d., 1s. 4d. doz.; 6d., 4s. doz.; 1s. 3d., 9s. Cor., and Cor., we doz.; 1s. 3d., 9s. 1os. doz.; 1s. 3d., 9s. 1os. doz.; 1s. 3d., 9s. 1os. doz. For cosh with order of within sayen days of date of invitor of wither 10s. doz. For cash with order or within seven days of date of invoice, a further 21 per cent. may be deducted.

Deletion from List.—Bristol-Myers Co., Ltd., Ingram's milkweed cream.

N.P.U. AIR-RAID ASSISTANCE FUND

In a circular issued by the National Pharmaceutical Union to members on July 10 it is stated that the Executive Committee prepared to establish an air-raid assistance fund for members if necessary support is received immediately. While provision again all monetary loss resulting from a direct hit upon premises by a bo cannot be made, it is possible to cover loss of income due to a pharm having to be closed because of damage done by the enemy to building or adjacent property. Stock and property, the circular poi out, can already be covered in other ways. The purpose of the projec scheme is to provide an income for the pharmacist while he is clear up damage done to his premises. Adequate funds are not availate meet such an emergency as now exists, and a special fip becomes necessary. Members willing to support the proposal are as to subscribe immediately a sum of £6, of which £5 is to be regarded a loan guaranteeing the objects of the fund, and the remaining as subscription entitling the subscriber to the available benefit. member who has made the contribution of £6 would, if his pharm were damaged in an air raid or by bombardment and had to be clos receive £7 per week. The payment would continue so long as pharmacy had to remain closed, limit thirteen weeks. Payme would cease a week after the day the pharmacy was reopened business, or at the end of thirteen weeks from closing, whichever the earlier date. The amount of security will depend on the rese fund created by the initial loans of £5 from each member. Beca the risk is great, and commences immediately, while the subscript income might be inadequate to meet claims, a reserve fund is to created at the outset as a guarantee. The fund will be administe free of cost, except for out-of-pocket expenses, by officers of the N.P

The financial position of the Union's assistance fund will be review every three months, the main consideration being whether or during that period the claims have made it impossible to continue cover for a further period without an additional subscription. organisers of the scheme expect that it will be possible to exte the cover without a further call upon subscribers quarter by quar to the end of a twelve-month period, when a renewal subscription £1, or whatever sum may by that time have been found necessa will be payable by those who wish to continue supporting the fu No liability for further payments arises out of the initial paymer The capital sum or loan of £5 is to be retained until the fund is wor up at the end of the war, and will then be returned intact unless a on the fund have been such as to render it necessary to use the rese fund to meet claims. Operation of the fund will commence as soon the first 1,000 subscriptions have been received, and no receipts v be issued until that number is in hand. Thus the receipt will, for the who subscribe before the end of July, become evidence that ben has commenced immediately. After August 1 there will be a wait period of one week from receipt of subscription before benefit co mences, and subscriptions will run from date of receipt for a period three months, which may be extended up to twelve months with further payments. Reminders will be sent when renewals are d The waiting period of one week after August I is intended to encoura immediate response and to prevent arguments regarding commen ment of liability. Members are asked to assume that the fund will administered by the Executive of the Union in the most liberal man consistent with the resources of the fund, and variations of the bene proposed will not be entertained until some experience has be acquired. Correspondence with the Union on the subject show therefore be limited at present to essential inquiries upon points it may not be clear to subscribers. Staff difficulties may at the outcause some delay in replying to letters, but every effort will be magnetic to the control of the subscribers and the subscribers are subscribers. to give information by return. Members owning more than one sh may subscribe for each shop if they wish to do so, using the bene in respect of the branches either to recoup themselves for loss of pro or to pay the manager while the shop is being prepared for reopenia A separate form must be signed in respect of each pharmacy, and I more than one subscription may be paid in respect of any one she

No sound financial scheme has been evolved for assisting chemi in defence areas who are having to close down through compuls: or other evacuation of the civil population.

Mutual-Aid Scheme for Professional Photographers.—The form tion of a mutual-aid group has been announced by the Institute British Photographers. A small central committee will administer fund for immediate relief, and local group commanders will organ efficient practical help (loan of apparatus, materials, staff, tempora living accommodation). Re-establishment in employment, where continuance in the present situation is not possible, will be arrange To provide the central fund there will be five grades of volunta contribution, according to the status of the member's business. Me bers will immediately contribute the specified sum to the cent fund and will be prepared to contribute further sums up to a maximu equal to the first payment.

LEGAL REPORTS

Veterinary Formulas.—At Dublin, recently, Certus Chemical adustries, Ltd., Pearse Street, and Mrs. May E. Dore, director, and ames A. Smyth, salesman of the company, were granted an inter-ocutory injunction against Patrick Pigott, clerk, Stella Avenue, lasnevin, and William Craven, chemist, Ranelagh, trading as Vetcene roducts, Ltd., restraining them from making use of two formulas, laimed by the plaintiffs to be the property of Certus Chemical Indusries, Ltd., relating to the manufacture of Certus veterinary abortion medy and sterility douche; and from manufacturing or selling, or coepting employment from or being associated with persons or proporations engaged in the manufacture or sale of those two products, rovided that the defendants were at liberty to accept employment rith any chemist or other person or firm dealing in veterinary products r animal medicine by way of retail sale only. Mr. Pigott denied that e had any knowledge of the formulas, and Mr. Craven denied that the ormulas were of a secret process.

Claim for Damages Dismissed.—At Surrey Assizes, on July 9, liss Olive Smith, typist, sued Mr. A. R. Valentine, M.P.S., in connexion ith the treatment of a wasp sting. At the time of the incident defendnt was carrying on business in Cobham. For the plaintiff it was stated hat when stung she went to the pharmacy and the assistant, Mr. lanson, treated the sting by applying ammonia on a pad, which he trapped to Miss Smith's neck, telling her to keep it on for half an hour. he ammonia was so strong that it made Miss Smith and her two ompanions cough and their eyes water. Miss Smith kept the pad on or nearly an hour. Her neck became very bad, a large blister forming, nd she had to have medical treatment.

Giving evidence, Miss Smith said the pad was applied in the disensary at the back of the shop. She paid 6d. for it. It was nine weeks

fore she felt properly well again. The blister had left a large scar.

Dr. N. S. Gilchrist gave details of tests he made with strong and weak mmonia on plaintiff's arms and said he came to the conclusion that the lister on her neck was caused by strong ammonia. It was extremely ure for a wasp sting to cause a blister. A wasp sting could cause death. Mr. James Manson said he had been a chemist's assistant for nine ears and treated about twenty persons a year for wasp stings. When iss Smith called for treatment he found that the bottle usually containing diluted ammonia was empty. As he was diluting more ammonia a measure glass he spilt some of the strong ammonia. It had a very rong smell and even made him jump. He put some of the diluted nmonia on to a pad of cotton wool, which he gave to Miss Smith, lling her to dab it on the neck frequently. He did not tie the ammonia ad on Miss Smith's neck—it would be crazy to do such a thing.

Defendant said he saw his assistant dilute the strong ammonia and it some of the diluted on a wad of cotton wool.

Dr. Francis Thompson said ammonia was a recognised relief for asp stings—as were also an onion or a blue bag. Blisters from bee or asp stings were rare, but they did occur. He had never known a bee ing to turn septic, but wasp stings frequently did so. He thought iss Smith's sting must have been septic at some time.

In giving judgment for the defendant with costs Mr. Justice Cassels id he accepted the evidence of Mr. Manson and the defendant. He nsidered she happened to be one of those unfortunate individuals who cceeded in getting a wasp sting which turned septic.

COMPANY NEWS P.C. means Private Company and R.O. Registered Office

GAY-JEE COSMETICS, LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £300. Objects: To manufacture and deal in cosmetics, etc. Solicitors: Clyde & Co., 15-18 Lime Street, London, E.C.3.

MAMACO MANUFACTURING Co., LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £200. Objects: To carry on business as manufacturers of and dealers in chemicals, drugs, etc. R.O.: 25 Cheapside, London, E.C.2.

BARRON'S CHEMIST (CROYDON), LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £1,000. Objects: To carry on business as chemists, druggists, etc. Robert Barron, M.P.S., is a director. R.O.: 77 High Street, Croydon.

MEDIBIX, Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital f1,000. Objects: To carry on the business of manufacturing and selling biscuits and medicinal products conducted by Donald T. Graham. Solicitors: Watson, Burton, Booth & Robinson, Pilgrim House, Newcastle-on-Tyne.

W. T. Gibson, Ltd. (P.C.).—Capital £1,000. Objects: To acquire the business of a chemist and druggist carried on as "W. T. Gibson" by Alice Gibson at 52 and 53 Mere Street, Diss, Norfolk. The directors include W. H. Bales, M.P.S., 82F Victoria Road, Diss.

W. E. WRIGHT (CHEMIST), LTD. (P.C.).—Capital £1,050. Objects: To acquire the business of a chemist, druggist and photographer carried on by Emily Wright as "W. E. Wright" at Central Pharmacy, Clare, Suffolk. Mrs. E. Wright and G. Francis Parkinson, M.P.S., Panels Ash. Ashen, Essex, directors.

Sangers, Ltd.—The directors recommend a final dividend of 15 per cent., less tax, making 25 per cent. for the year ended March 31 (same as last year). Net trading profit amounted to £249,796, compared with £220,842 in the previous year. Provision for taxation amounted to £90,133 and £25,000 is transferred to contingency reserve; £2,000 is allocated to staff benefit fund. Balance of £170,934 is carried forward, subject to two months' accrued dividend on preference shares. Amount brought in was £160,890.

Receiver Appointed.—Notice has been given that Mr. F. G. Chadbourne has been appointed receiver and manager on behalf of the debenture holders of Veterinary Research, Ltd., Sanderstead Road, South Croydon.

Bankruptey.—WILLIAM EDWIN SMITH, M.P.S., 162 West Street, Fareham, and 2 High Street, Lyndhurst, Hants. The public examination at Portsmouth recently was formally adjourned. Statement of affairs showed liabilities of £605; estimated deficiency, £510. Debtor formerly traded at Redruth, Cornwall, but disposed of the business and was afterwards in employment. Subsequently he commenced trading at Hamble, and the venture was successful. He sold the business for £774, discharged his liabilities of about £500, and in March 1939 recommenced trading at High Street, Lyndhurst; he closed that business in January 1940. Business failed owing to his doing no private or National Health Insurance dispensing; in addition he had difficulty in obtaining supplies from wholesalers. In November 1939 he opened another shop at 162 West Street, Fareham, to which address he transferred about £120 worth of stock from Lyndhurst. He continued that business until May 1940. In the last fourteen months his net profit had averaged 25s. a week, and his drawings had been about £8 weekly.

TOPICAL REFLECTIONS

Gases in Foodstuffs.—As we cannot tell whether the possibility of ntamination of foodstuffs by gases disseminated by enemy action is ar or remote, your excellent article on this kind of contamination 22) should be attentively studied. Apprentices and other students ay find it a useful exercise to make a précis of its contents. The lective action of mustard gas in contact with food materials should known by pharmacists in sufficient detail to enable them to advise nen consulted. I confess I have a wholesome respect for arsenical ntamination, and where its occurrence is suspected I prefer to be on e safe side. The evidence given before the Royal Commission set in 1901 to investigate arsenical poisoning traceable to foods and verages is not yet out of date. The widespread existence of traces arsenic in nature—a fact that should not put us off our guard—has en known for at least a century. In 1840 Raspail, called as a witness the defence in a trial for murder, said he would undertake to find senic anywhere, and offered to extract it from the cushioned seat cupied by the judges. The offer was declined.

Sunday Dispensing.—The alleged difficulty of getting National alth Insurance prescriptions dispensed in Walsall on Sundays 18) is not easy to fathom. "Since the war started," we read, "certain emists' shops have been open from noon to one p.m. on Sundays, tit is felt that a reversion to the evening opening (6 to 7 p.m.) is irable." On the face of it, this appears to imply that the inhabitants that flourishing town find it impossible to take or send prescriptions a pharmacy so early as midday on Sundays; but an alternative

explanation may be forthcoming. Till the Shops (Sunday Trading) Restriction Act of 1936 came into force there was much variety in the practice adopted on the seventh day by chemists. Some did not open, but, if living on the premises or boarding an assistant there, received prescriptions at a side door and gave customers seats in the hall or passage. Others went further by refusing cash payment, noting such transactions in the day-book or elsewhere. In recent years the majority, as far as my observation goes, have had a recognised opening period or periods ranging from an hour to several hours.

Tricksters.—The warning on p. 15 regarding the activities of the smart man who foists a "dud" tin of branded food on chemists in lieu of a genuine one will no doubt be passed round, wherever it is read, to all concerned. Such tricks, old in conception though occasionally new in the details of application, always interest me. I recall a small packet of lozenges which, on being opened after exchange for lozenges of another kind, turned out to be of a make that I did not stock. On the other hand, I remember refusing to take a half-crown which, on being weighed in a customer's presence, was seen to be too light. The man soon afterwards returned with much satisfaction to inform me that he had changed the coin in a neighbouring post office, adding that I did not know my business. The other day I heard a bank clerk say that there are spurious half-crowns in circulation; it is thus probable that this mean type of fraud is again prevalent. The dodges that have been successfully "worked" in shops are in idea probably as old as trading itself. Xrayser

NORTH BRITISH EXECUTIVE

A MEETING of the Executive of the North British Branch of the Pharmaceutical Society was held at 36 York Place, Edinburgh, on July 10. Mr. W. F. Hay, who was in the chair, welcomed Mr. Mair, the new member of Executive, who acknowledged the welcome.

Mr. W. F. Hay, Aberdeen, was elected Chairman, and Mr. James

Innes, Vice-chairman.

The following Committees were appointed: General Purposes, The chairman, vice-chairman, Messrs. Arthur, Beattie, Guthrie, Harley, Henry, Jack, Mair, Miller and Sutherland; Nomination of Examiners, The chairman, vice-chairman, and Messrs. Arthur, Guthrie and Jack; Education, The chairman, vice-chairman, Messrs. Anderson, Arthur, Bennett, Culbert, Guthrie, Harley, Jack, McKenzie, Mair, Milne and Ritchie; Parliamentary, The chairman, vice-chairman, Messrs. Arthur, Bennett, Culbert, Guthrie, Harley, Innes, Jack, Milne, Murray and Walker. Centenary Building Fund, The chairman, vice-chairman, Messrs. Bennett, Harley, Guthrie, and Milne, and the Scottish member of Council. It was left in the hands of the resident secretary and chairman to arrange evening meetings if war conditions permitted.

It was remitted to the General Purposes Committee to complete a list of nominations to be submitted to the Council for appointment as divisional secretaries for 1941. Branch membership to date was as follows: Aberdeen and North-Eastern, 320; Dundee and East and Central, 277; Edinburgh and South-Eastern, 899; Glasgow and South-

Western, 1264; Inverness and Northern, 123.

The chairman drew attention to Schedule 3 of the Purchase Tax Bill, saying that it seemed that all dispensing transactions were exempt. The sale of drugs and medicines such as cough mixtures, indigestion mixtures, tonics, etc., commonly prepared for sale by the chemist, would also appear to be exempt, as well as a large part of the chemist's proper business. With regard to Section 10, which indicated that manufacturers with a turnover of under $f_{2,000}$ would not require to be registered, he thought this would be a grave inequality. He said further points indicated an unworkable position and the whole matter would require much fuller consideration. The Executive would be acting in concert with the Council and other bodies. With regard to tea rationing, which had just been introduced, chemists were in the same position as other retailers and coupons had to be given up by the customer. A circular was about to be issued by Food Control authorities to holders of retail licences. Further procedure was not yet known.

NEW NOTICE TO IMPORTERS

Notice to Importers, No. 82, issued by the Import Licensing Department of the Board of Trade, states that from July 12 the open general licence authorising the importation of the following goods from the countries specified has been revoked and separate licences to import will now be required (only those products of interest to the drug tradare included below):—

From all countries.—Charcoal, other than activated and decolorising drugs, natural, raw; seaweed; stearic acid; casein, powder or granular dyeing extracts and natural dyes; and tin oxide.

From the British Empire (except Hong Kong, Palestine and Transfordan).—Bulbs, corms, tubers and rhizomes, whether in flower or not soap, hard, in bars or tablets (other than abrasive soap and toile soap).

From France and the Channel Islands.—All goods.

From French Possessions (as in Notice to Importers, No. 54).—Apar from goods subject to open general licence for all countries the onl goods which may now be imported from French Possessions without separate licences, under an open general licence, are the following Fruit juices, including grape juice and grape must; ginger, preserve in sugar or syrup; honey; mustard; pepper, whether ground or not essential oils, natural or synthetic, including terpeneless oils, an mixtures thereof.

From July 12 until further notice, bristle of the pig, hog or boar the kinds specified in Part 3 of the Customs and Excise Tariff date January 1, 1940, may be imported without separate licences from British India since the Board of Trade has issued an open generalicence authorising the importation of these goods from that country.

Applications for licences to import stearic acid should in the fire instance be submitted, in duplicate, to the Ministry of Food, Grew Westminster House, Horseferry Road, London, S.W.I. Applications to import any of the other commodities referred to above for which separate licence is required should be made to the Import Licensin Department, 25 Southampton Buildings, Chancery Lane, London W.C.2. One copy only of the application is required in these case Forms on which the applications should be made are obtainable from the Import Licensing Department or from the offices of Collectors of H.M. Customs and Excise.

PHARMACEUTICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND

The monthly meeting of the Council of the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland was held on July 9, the vice-president (Mr. Patrick C. Cahill) in the chair. Other members of the Council present were Messrs. F. J. Fitzpatrick, T. C. Scott, J. K. Whelehan, Alderman J. F. Costello, P. J. Fielding, P. Brooke-Kelly, C. J. Cremen, M. J. Parkes, J. Gleeson, B. P. Hickey, J. A. O'Rourke, and Dr. J. A. Mitchell.

The following letter was read from the Department of Defence:—
"I am directed by the Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister for Defence to convey to you, and through you to the Pharmaceutical Society of Ireland, his appreciation of the proffered co-operation of your members in the Government's scheme of air raid precautions. A copy of the resolution enclosed with your letter of the 19th ultimo has been forwarded to the city manager of the Dublin Corporation and the borough manager of Dun Laoghaire, who will no doubt avail themselves without delay of your offer."

MR. PARKES: We made the offer for the whole of the country.

THE VICE-PRESIDENT: I understand that A.R.P. is practically a dead letter outside Dublin and Dun Laoghaire.

Mr. Cremen suggested that a subcommittee be appointed by the Council to meet the officials of Dublin and Dun Laoghaire A.R.P. organisations to work out a scheme if it was possible.

Mr. O'Rourke: Every pharmacy should be a first-aid station.

Mr. Whelehan said that in Mullingar they had a large Red Cross organisation and the Local Security Force which would act in the event of air raids.

ALDERMAN COSTELLO: A scheme has been worked out for Galway, with doctors and nurses for each first-aid station.

It was unanimously agreed that a subcommittee of the honorary officials of the Society, with the registrar (Mr. J. J. Kerr) and Mr. O'Rourke be constituted to deal with the matter.

The Vice-President suggested that the Council should arrange a course of first-aid lectures for any pharmacists wishing to take such a course. The Council approved of the suggestion and directed the registrar to arrange to have the lectures held.

The following, who submitted matriculation certificates, were granted

Preliminary registration:—Misses N. A. Flynn, N. C. Lyons, and E. (Prendergast; Messrs. C. G. B. Higgins, and Edward V. Carbery.

Mrs. M. Reynolds (née Gilligan), R.D., submitted marriage certifica and requested change of name in the Register. The application was granted.

On the motion of Mr. F. J. FITZPATRICK the name of Mr. Joh McCarthy, Newcastle West, was restored to the Register of Pharm ceutical Chemists. Mr. McCarthy submitted certificate with declaration of identity and a request to be restored to the Register.

On consideration of the House Committee's report the lowest of number of tenders received for carrying out the redecoration of th interior of the Society's premises was accepted.

The following changes of address were notified:—Miss M. Kingsto M.P.S.I., from 157 Southgate Road, London, to 8 North Abbey Squar North Mall, Cork; Mr. G. Klein, L.P.S.I., from 20 Victoria Street, 6 Bloomfield Avenue, Dublin; Mr. T. Murphy, L.P.S.I., from Medic Hall, Kildare, to Main Street, Droichead Nua, co. Kildare; Mr. G. Riordan, M.P.S.I., from 2 Victoria Terrace, S.C. Road, to 58 Catheri Street, Limerick. Mr. P. K. Ryan, L.P.S.I., from Mohill, co. Leitrit to c/o 92 Main Street, Bray, co. Wicklow; Mrs. M. Reynolds, R.I. from 79 Mungret Street, to 2 Broad Street, Limerick.

The Law Committee's report was submitted and approved.

The Certificates and Declarations Committee's report, which was al approved, stated that fifty-two candidates had entered for the fort coming Licence examination, and one for the Registered Druggi examination.

THE REGISTRAR reported the death of Messrs. John Maxwell, Ph.(and C. E. Doig, R.D.

The following were elected members of the Society:—Messrs. Brady, T. J. Harty, J. Moran, F. C. McEvoy, A. V. Tully, and Miss O'Reilly.

The following were nominated for membership of the Society:—Mi A. Daly, Medical Hall, Navan: Miss K. Lyster, Lugboy, Elphin, Rc common; Messrs. K. J. Campbell, Main Street, Belturbet, co. Cavas. Cooper, The Medical Hall, Kilcormac, Offaly; G. I. Riordan, Catherine Street, Limerick; P. J. Ryder, Main Street, Ballinrobe, C. Mayo.

TRADE NOTES

MENDED PRICE LIST.—Roche Products, Ltd., Welwyn Garden City, rts, have issued a war emergency price list of their specialities.

VIPA LABORATORIES, LTD.—The company notify they are moving to ger premises but their address remains unchanged: Treforest Trading ate, Cardiff. The transfer may cause temporary interruption to overies.

CLORAL WATERS.—Rose and orange flower waters are now being duced by P. Samuelson & Co., 17 Creechurch Lane, London, E.C.3. Ik supplies are available, but delivery will be assisted if customers their own containers.

HOLLY-PAX.—Splendor, Ltd., Beastmarket Hill, Nottingham, are sing two dozen Holly-pax in the display carton shown in the accom-



panying illustration. It has been found that the sales of 'this product are greatly increased where women are able to see it in a window or counter display.—Messrs. Splendor are also marketing anti-blast ear plugs and a mouth cushion produced by Tampax, Ltd. Both articles are made from surgical cut sheet rubber and are sterilisable.

PRICE ALTERATIONS.
—Parke, Davis & Co., 50
Beak Street, London,

I, publish details of some recent additions to their price list on another ge of this issue.

VACUUM FLASKS.—Thermos (1925), Ltd., Seymour Road, Leyton, adon, E.10, announce that while the whole of their output of vacuum ducts is required for the Services or export business they hope in the r future to be able to release a new range for home trade.

CANNIC ACID JELLY.—Warrick Brothers, Ltd., Nile Street, London, c, state that owing to urgent orders they are at present unable in tain instances to execute orders for packs with the chemist's own ne, and also that it has become necessary to vary some of their ndard packs. Some other preparations besides tannic acid jelly are ected, but in all cases the medicaments remain unaltered.

A.R.P. FOR ANIMALS.—Bob Martin, Ltd., Southport, are calling ention to the value of their fit and hysteria tablets as a sedative dogs and cats. The product is also available in powder form as squicker to administer and also acts more quickly. The special A.P. pack can be opened in a moment. Display material in the form outers and window bills is available for chemists and Messrs. Martin inform us that a considerable portion of their war-time dicity will be devoted to the sedative in its new form.

DESOXY-CORTICOSTERONE ACETATE.—The fourth article in the series "Recent Developments in Therapeutics" dealt with "Hormones" was published in the C. & D. Annual Special Issue. Under the ding "Adrenal Cortex Hormone," reference was made to desoxyticosterone acetate. There are a number of manufacturers of this thetic crystalline hormone including Ciba, Ltd. (Percorten); Roussel poratories, Ltd. (Syncortyl); and Schering, Ltd. (Cortiron), who will pleased to send literature relating to their particular product on uest.

New DISPLAY MATERIAL.—Vinolia, Ltd., Bebington, Cheshire, have tus specimens of three showcards they have brought out, as follows: 313 is a large cut-out, advertising Vinolia shaving stick, specially igned for window display, with a topical illustration of a cheery B."; No. 314 is a small facsimile of the above-mentioned item for nter use with a space for a Vinolia shaving stick in its bakelite iner case; No. 315 is a Service-pack showcard. The company inform that this display material was ordered long before the latest restricts came into effect and printed on board in stock for this purpose.

IETHEDRINE.—Methedrine (*d*-methylisomyn), a new synthetic stance belonging to the group of sympathomimetic amines, is a nt addition to the range of products issued by Burroughs Wellcome Co., Snow Hill Buildings, London, E.C.1. Chemically it is the tro-rotatory isomer of N-methyl-β-phenylisoprophylamine, and is sintermediate in structure between isomyn (β -phenylisopropylamine) ephedrine. Methedrine, given orally, produces a prolonged rise of od-pressure and stimulation of the central nervous system. It ears to be of value in the treatment of narcolepsy and in certain ressive psychopathic states. It is issued as Tabloid Methedrine rochloride, in bottles of 25 and 100.

BIRTHS

Notices for this column must be authenticated

NICHOLSON.—At the Middlesex Hospital, London, W.I, on July I, Muriel, the wife of W. R. I. Nicholson, M.P.S., 125 Hampstead Road, N.W.I, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES

KIRKHAM—Moyes.—At Kirkliston, West Lothian, on July 3, Robert Drummond Kirkham, M.P.S., to Agnes Sutherland Moyes.

McHardy—Johnston.—At St. Mary's Episcopal Church, Aberdeen, recently, Mr. Charles Martin McHardy, M.P.S., Gold Coast, to Mary Beatrice Johnston.

Noble—Bowie.—At Kilmarnock, on July 3, by the Rev. Howieson, M.A., John Asher Noble, M.P.S., Bridge of Allan, to Helen Calderwood Bowie, Kilmarnock.

DEATHS

Baldwin.—At Loughborough, recently, Mr. George Joseph Baldwin, chemist and druggist, aged eighty-three.

Gray.—At Edinburgh, on July 5, Mr. Thomas Edmonstone Gray, M.P.S., 38 Coillesdene Avenue, Joppa. Mr. Gray passed the Minor examination in 1900. He was at one time assistant with the late Mr. George Lunan and was afterwards on the staff of John Macmillan, Ltd., Glasgow. In 1907 he joined the advertising department of the Bayer Co. During the 1914–18 war he was on the Intelligence Staff with the rank of lieutenant. Afterwards he became West-end of London representative for Allen & Hanburys, Ltd., and in 1926 became the company's representative in Scotland.

Kirk.—At 75 South Street, St. Andrews, on July 4, Mr. John Johnston Kirk, chemist and druggist, aged eighty-two.

MAUNDER.—At Dodhill Green, near Taunton, on July 10, Mr. William Henry Maunder, Ph.C., F.S.M.C., managing director of W. H. Maunder & Son, Ltd., chemists and opticians, Taunton and Teignmouth. Mr. Maunder qualified in 1895.

NICHOLSON.—At 125 Hampstead Road, London, N.W.1, on July 4, Mr. Thomas Tanner Nicholson, M.P.S., aged seventy-seven. Mr. Nicholson had carried on business at the above address for fifty-one years, and was well-known both locally and in the trade.

SAYERS.—Recently, following an operation for appendicitis, Mr. Alexander Sayers, a native of co. Antrim, who was the proprietor of a successful chemist's business in the Hampton suburb of Melbourne. Mr. Sayers served his apprenticeship with Bonnar & Henderson, Ballymena, after which he went to Melbourne, where he qualified as a member of the Pharmaceutical Society of Australia. He served with the Australian Expeditionary Force, both in Egypt and France, as a sergeant in the Army Medical Corps. Mr. Sayers, who has many relatives in Belfast and district, visited the homeland a few years ago. He leaves a widow and one daughter.

Webb.—Suddenly, at Vale House, Hertford, on July 12. Mr. Ashley Tucker Webb, J.P., mayor of Hertford and chairman of May, Roberts & Co., Ltd., druggists' sundriesmen, London, E.C.1, aged sixty-one. He entered the business of Messrs. May, Roberts in 1895 and became a director when it was converted to a limited company in 1909. Subsequently he became managing director until recently, and chairman of the directors from 1933. Mr. Webb was also on the board of May, Roberts (Ireland), Ltd., and Thomas McMullan & Co., Ltd. He was treasurer of the Proprietary Articles Trade Association at the time of his death.

PERSONALITIES

Mr. A. H. Clark (sales inanager, Potter & Moore, Ltd., London, E.) has been appointed a director.

MR. ROBERT McLaren Todd, elder son of Mr. R. McLaren Todd, M.P.S., Syston, Leicestershire, has passed the final M.B., Ch.B., examination of Cambridge University.

Mr. J. C. Crocker, M.A., D.Sc., F.I.C., has been appointed head of the chemistry department of Chelsea Polytechnic, London, S.W., in succession to Mr. C. Dorée, M.A., D.Sc., F.I.C., who retires on August 31.

Tributes to ex-provost John Raffan, M.B.E., J.P., M.P.S., who was for many years in business in Stirling, were paid at a meeting of the Church of Scotland Presbytery of Stirling and Dunblane, upon his relinquishment of activities as presbytery elder.

Mr. W. Donald Wilson (son of Mr. W. Wilson, Ph.C., Wigan) has passed the first part of the M.B., Ch.B. examinations at Liverpool University, with distinction in pharmacology. He has been awarded the University scholarship and John Abram Hill prize in pharmacology and general therapeutics.



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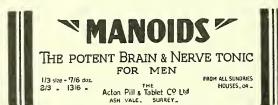
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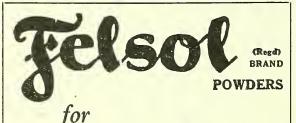
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Import Licensing Modifications

HE modification of open general licences announced by the Import icensing Department of the Board of Trade (p. 30) includes a rovision that from July 12 the open general licence authorising the portation of a considerable range of commodities from certain sources as been revoked. Among the products for which separate import cences will now be required are several items of interest to the drug rade. These include certain kinds of charcoal, raw natural drugs, sawed, stearic acid, casein, dyeing extracts and natural dyes (from ll countries); certain kinds of soap (from British Empire sources); nd all goods from France and the Channel Islands. The notice gives list of the only goods which, apart from those subject to open general cence for all countries, may now be imported from French Possessions ithout separate licences (i.e. under open general licence). This list cludes the important group of products described as "natural or ynthetic essential oils, including terpeneless oils, and mixtures thereof."

As with previous notices of a comprehensive nature, importers will eed to take particular care to ascertain the position as regards importaon of any classes of goods in which they may be interested. In this onnexion, attention is called to the item "drugs, natural, raw" icluded in the list of products for which separate licences will now be equired for importation from all countries. Before applying for import cences importers should ascertain that the commodities they wish to nport actually fall within this category, as it appears that certain roducts which might be classed by some as coming within the escription "drugs, natural, raw" will not be affected by the Notice and, onsequently, imports will not require separate licences. This general nd indefinite nomenclature seems to have been deliberately adopted y the authorities as a precautionary measure and it is anticipated that sential products will be freely licensed up to national requirements, ome assistance in deciding this point may be obtained by a study of votice to Importers, No. 76 (C. & D., June 15, p. 437), which gives, in appendix II, a list of products under open general licence irrespective of ource. Goods mentioned in this Appendix include agar, cod liver oil, singlass, malt extracts, yeast, natural gums and resins (except rosin and hellac), natural waxes, natural camphor, turpentine and pine oil. These roducts are not listed in the new notice and may therefore still be importd from all sources without separate licences. Although there is no refernce to the point in the official notice, it is understood that the revocaion of the open general licence will not apply to consignments of goods f the classes which are now controlled, if shipment was effected prior the issue of the notice, provided such goods are imported before eptember 12.

An Alternative to Tea

In the ordinary course of their trade, but now that rationing of this ommodity has been introduced some may perhaps find that their urnover in it declines, since customers may think of coupons only in onnexion with their grocer.

An opportunity for the enterprising pharmacist to make good this potential loss is suggested by a writer in the "Manchester Guardian" recently, who points out that the phrase "the cup that cheers" was applied originally not to tea but to tar-water. For this decetable infusion the main ingredient is to be found in the stock-in-trade of the average chemist, but is less readily obtained from the majority of grocers. "For the benefit of those who would like to supplement their tea-ration with this beverage," states the "Manchester Guardian," "here is the recipe . . .: Put a gallon of water to a quart of tar, and after stirring it together let it stand for forty-eight hours. Then pour off the clear and drink a glass of about half a pint in the morn, and as much at five in the afternoon."

It is possible that modern customers might require some amount of persuasion and "education" before reverting to this presumably once popular drink. Since, however, the infusion is reputedly "useful for colic" a good basis is present for the chemist's propaganda campaign. At least he may rely with reasonable certainty for a long time to come upon immunity from rationing of the ingredients.

MEDICAL ABSTRACTS

Drugs and Scorpion Poisoning.—The action of atropine and ergotoxin, alone and combined, in counteracting the effects of scorpion toxin is described by Hassan and Mohammed ("Lancet," 1940, I, 1001). Observations by the authors have led to experiments which have shown that injections of atropine or ergotoxin in animals poisoned by scorpion toxin may save them from otherwise certain death. A combination of these drugs was even greater in its influence than when they were given alone. Following subsequent tests made on dogs, it has been suggested that in different species the protective amount of the drugs is not determined so much by the amount of toxin injected as by the animals' sensitivity to the drugs. The conclusion arrived at is that the antagonistic action of atropine and ergotoxin not only proves that the autonomic nervous system is stimulated by scorpion toxin but also suggests the possibility of using these drugs with specific antiserum in the treatment of poisoning by this toxin. The authors find that a dog can be saved by these drugs from the effects of an injection of as much as 0.36 mgm. of pure scorpion toxin (the dried telsons of Egyptian scorpions yielding on an average 0.55 mgm. of toxin per telson). They suggest that, if so much is seldom injected by a scorpion in one sting, hopes may be entertained of the value of this form of treatment in scorpion poisoning in man.

Report on Desoxycorticosterone.—When desoxycorticosterone was first synthesised and employed clinically, it was believed that much of the inaccuracy and unreliability associated with the use of extracts of adrenal cortex would be eliminated, and hopes were raised by early reports following the clinical success of the substance in the treatment of Addison's disease. The occurrence of untoward reactions, and in fact, actual fatalities following the use of desoxycorticosterone acetate soon became manifest. One of the most striking effects of the substance was hypertension, which, in some cases, resulted in cardiac failure and death. The evidence which has since accumulated confirming these early findings has served as a warning against the indiscriminate and excessive routine use of the substance. At the request of the Council on Pharmacy and Chemistry of the American Medical Association, a review of the physiological and clinical data available up to the present time on desoxycorticosterone and its esters has been prepared, a report of which appears in the "Journal of the American Medical Association," June 29, 1940, p. 2549. The report brings to light the following facts which have emerged from the data on the substance: Of all the compounds that have been isolated from the adrenal cortex, desoxycorticosterone has the greatest action in conserving sodium and water and in causing the excretion of potassium; of all the compounds studied, it has the least demonstrable action in maintaining normal carbohydrate metabolism in adrenal insufficiency, amounting practically to no effect in clinical studies; given as the only form of replacement therapy in Addison's disease, it does not appear to provide complete substitution for the normal adrenal cortex. It is, therefore, concluded that desoxycorticosterone is only one of the physiologically active sterols of the adrenal gland and does not represent the true hormone of the adrenal cortex. Support is given to this view from the accumulated evidence, which indicates that some additional factor or factors are needed to restore the metabolic processes in adrenalectomised animals to normal. However, in spite of the evidence put forward in this connexion, the author of the report emphasises that the theoretical existence of a multiple adrenal cortical hormone has not yet been proved and that it is quite possible that desoxycorticosterone is actually one of the most important, if not the most important, substance produced by the adrenal gland. The report sums up the position by stating that the known complications which may arise from the clinical use of desoxycorticosterone makes its application to therapy a procedure involving some risk, except in the hands of clinicians provided with adequate facilities for identifying and controlling any difficult situations that may arise. Until many details of its action are more thoroughly understood, its use should probably be restricted.

MINERAL SUPPLEMENTS FOR LIVE-STOCK

The addition of a mineral supplement to the ordinary rations of farm animals has become a recognised practice, and the following are examples of simple mixtures for different classes of stock:

	Per	CENTAGES	BY WEIGHT	
	Dairy Cattle and Sheep	Pigs	Poultry	Horses
Sterilised bone flour	 50	45	40	80
Ground limestone	 15	40	48	
Common salt	 35	15	12	20

In addition to the above constituents, the mineral supplement should contain potassium iodide, which may be included at the rate of 1 oz. per 100 lb. of minerals for larger classes of stock and 2 or 3 oz. per 100 lb. of minerals for poultry. Such mineral supplements are used at the rate of from 11 to 4 per cent. of cereal and concentrate rations, according to the mineral content of the ration itself. For example, a ration containing fish meal or meat-and-bone meal (mineral-rich foods) requires less in the way of mineral supplementation than one made up entirely of foods of vegetable origin. Restriction of supplies of fish meal and the inability of manufacturers of meat-and-bone meals to cope with increased demand emphasise the need for additional minerals, especially iodine, calcium, and phosphorus. Here may be considered the results of recent research in animal pathology and their bearing on the composition of the mineral supplement.

Cobalt.—In certain highland and upland areas of Scotland, the north and west of England, and Wales, a nutritional anæmia known as "pine" or "pining" affects sheep, and sometimes cattle. Scottish experiments led to the conclusion that pine can be prevented or cured by feeding a trace of cobalt to sheep in affected areas. This is best done by adding a little cobalt sulphate or chloride to the basal mineral supplement. One ounce of cobalt chloride to each 100 lb. of the basal mineral supplement is sufficient. More recent evidence from Northumbrian experiments casts doubt on the specific curative effect of cobalt in all types of pine, but mineral deficiency appears to be a predisposing cause. It may be that dual, or even more complicated, deficiency may occur. Field trials are now being conducted to obtain further information.

Copper.—The disease known as swayback, common in many parts of the country, has destroyed thousands of lambs. It has now been found that it can be prevented by feeding small doses of copper to in-lamb ewes. Here again the best method of administration is to include a copper salt in the basal mineral supplement provided for the sheep. Copper sulphate is suggested at the rate of should all the contract of the sheep. about \(\frac{3}{4}\) lb. to each 100 lb. of the basal mineral supplement.

Magnesium.—Cows over the whole country may suffer from the disease known as lactation tetany, a characteristic feature of which is low magnesium content of the blood serum. Injection of magnesium salts raises the level of blood magnesium and alleviates the symptoms. There is some evidence, however, that the fall in serum magnesium may be stemmed by feeding a mineral supplement, such as is outlined above, heavily charged with a suitable source of available magnesium. For this purpose, the mineral supplement may include as much as 25 per cent. or more of the magnesium salt.

Manganese.—Deficiency of manganese is believed to be a cause of perosis or slipped tendon, an anatomical deformity of chicks which occurs more commonly in America than in this country, probably because the Americans use more maize (relatively poor in manganese) than we do. Its occurrence in this country is sporadic but, where feared, it is a useful insurance to add a small quantity of a manganese salt to the basal mineral supplement; manganese sulphate is commonly used, at the rate of 4 or 6 oz. per 100 lb. of basal mineral supplement.

Iodine.—There is now reason to believe that fowl paralysis can be cured by injections of potassium iodide into the abdomen. If confirmed, this will relieve poultry farmers of one of their worst scourges. It is suggested that on farms where paralysis is endemic, or where birds are kept under intensive systems likely to bring out inherent weakness in the stock, the addition of iodised mineral salts or a few drops of iodine to the mash or drinking water may prove of value. The effect of this recent research has been to inspire progressive manufacturers of mineral supplements to market licks or mixtures designed to insure against deficiency of the trace elements as well as of calcium, phosphorus, chlorine, and iodine.

LANCASHIRE PRESCRIPTION BUREAU.—Returns placed before the Bureau on July 11 show that during the quarter ended March 31, prescriptions received numbered 913,862, against 784,732 in 1939 and 687,299 in 1938. The total prescription cost was £34,952, against £27,353 and £24,106, and the average cost of ingredients and dispensing per prescription was 9.18d., against 8.37d. and 8.42d.

TRADE-MARK APPLICATIONS

The figures in parentheses refer to the classes in which the marks are grouped. A list of classes and particulars as to registration are given in "The Chemist and Druggist Diary and Year-Book," 1940, p. 275.

(From "The Trade Marks Journal," June 26, 1940)

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 "Vertroy"; for insecticides, etc. (5) (IV). By W. Edge & Sons, Ltd. 50 Raphael Street,
 Bolton, Lancs. 611,794.

 "LISTAX"; for disinfectants (5) (IV). By Listerair, Ltd., 1 Princess Street, Manchester

- Bolton, Lanes. 611,794.

 "LISTAX"; for disinfectants (5) (IV). By Listerair, Ltd., I Princess Street, Manchester.
 611,821.

 "ANTELOPE"; for foot-arch supports (10) (IV). By Hans Sochor, Bläsistrasse 20, Zürich-Hönig, Switzerland. 609,243.

 "THE KEYSTONE"; for toothbrushes (21) (IV). By J. Freeman & Co., Ltd., Forest Brush Works, Longfellow Road, London, E.17. 611,894.

APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

(Under Section 3 of the Patents, Designs, Copyright and Trade Marks (Emergency) Act, 1939)

- No. 555,552 owned by Russi & C.—Coates & Cooper, Ltd., 94 Clerkenwell Road, London, E.C.I.
 - (From "The Trade Marks Journal," July 3, 1940)
- VIPANTA PERLES"; for medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations in gelatin capsules (5) (IV). By Roche Products, Ltd., Welwyn Garden City, Herts. 610,534 (Associated).
- "AMABEVAN"; for medicinal preparations for human and veterinary use (5) (IV).

 By Evans Sons Lescher & Webb, Ltd., Hanover Street, Liverpool. 611,250.

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 "Skat"; for vermin-destroying preparations (5) (IV). By Cooper, McDougall & Robertson, Ltd., Berkhamsted, Herts. 611,315.

 "Wandermalt"; for malt prepared as foods (5) (IV). By A. Wander, Ltd., 184 Queen's Gate, London, S.W.7. B671,830 (Associated).

 "Biokare"; for deodorants (5) (IV). By R. Demuth, 68 Salusbury Road, London, N.W.6. 617,898.

 "Hydantal"; for pharmaceutical and veterinary preparations, and "Piroparv" for veterinary preparations (5) (IV). By Wellcome Foundation, Ltd., Holborn Viaduct, London, E.C.1. 617,957/9.

 "Alkarydin": for pharmaceutical and veterinary substances (5) (IV). By May & Baker.
- "Alkaryoin"; for pharmaceutical and veterinary substances (5) (IV). By May & Baker, Ltd., St. Paul's Churchyard, London, E.C.4. 611,962.
 "Lecderm"; for tonic medicines in ointment form (5) (IV). By G. Ashley & Co., 104 Christchurch Road, London, S.W.2. 611,985.
 "Pressinge" (design) and words "The Blade of Repute"; for razor blades (8) (IV). By E. O. Kohn, 46–48 Jewin Street, London, E.C.1. 611,595.

APPLICATION AMENDMENT

- According to "The Trade Marks Journal" of July 3, 1940, the specification No. B608,653, by Paquin, Ltd., has been amended to "Soaps, perfumery, cosmetics, hair lotions, and dentifrices, but not including shaving soap, shaving cream, and any preparation for use in or after shaving."
- Also specification No. 609,825, by Walfox, Ltd., has been amended to "Aspirin tablets being medicated preparations for human use, made in Great Britain."

(From "The Trade Marks Journal," July 10, 1940)

- "ALPIX," "FOLGUM," and "REFINOX" for industrial chemicals, etc. (1) (IV). By F. & M. Supplies, Ltd., 21/23 Coldharbour, London, E.14. 611,687/9/90.
- M. Supplies, Ltd., 21/23 Coldharbour, London, E.14. 611,687/9/90.

 "Benzedrine" for a medicated preparation for the nerves (5) (1V). By Smith, Kline & French Laboratories, 105-115 North Fifth Street, City of Philadelphia, Penn., U.S.A. 607,869 (Associated).

 "Cardocen" for pharmaceutical preparations (5) (IV). By C. R. Harker, Stagg & Morgan, Ltd., Emmott Street, Mile End., London, E.1. 611,293.

 Cooper's Quick-acting Sheep Dipping Powder (device of sheep in field and coat of arms with words "I undertake and I perform," etc.) (5) (IV). By Cooper, McDougall & Robertson, Ltd., Ravens Lane, Berkhamsted, Herts. 611,719 (Associated).

 Copavin" for pharmaceutical substances (5) (IV). By Eli Lilly & Co., 740 South Alabama Street, Indianapolis, U.S.A. 610,810.

 "Copon" for medicated preparations for animals (5) (IV). By H. Bell, Ltd., 62 Quay, Waterford, Eire. 610,590.

 "Mycotak" for disinfectants, insecticides, etc. (5) (IV). By L.C.I. (Fertilizer & Synthetic Products), Ltd., Wexham Road, Slough. 611,648.

 "Genergo" for pharmaceutical, veterinary and sanitary preparations, etc. (5) (IV). By E. C. Haskins & Co., 34 Bathwick Street, Bath. 611,744.

 "Winzone" for antiseptic medicine (5) (IV). F. E. Wilsher, 58 Surrenden Road, Brighton, 611,869

- Brighton. 611,86c
 "STILBIDIN"; for pharmaceutical and veterinary substances, and "NEOHYDRIOL"; for pharmaceutical substances (5) (IV). By May & Baker, Ltd., St. Paul's Churchyard, London, E.C.4. 611,961/71 (Both Associated).
- "La Cross" for tooth brushes, na1 brushes, sponges, etc. (21) (IV). By R. J. Groves & Son, 8 College Square North, Belfast. 610,608.

APPLICATION FOR TEMPORARY SUSPENSION

(Under Section 3 of the Patents, Designs, Copyright and Trade Marks (Emergency) Act, 1939)

No. 514,584 owned by Asta Aktien Gesellschaft Chemische Fabrik.—Savory & Moore, Ltd., 61 Welbeck Street Londou, W.1.

TRADE REPORT

pot quotations recorded for pharmaceutical chemicals, crude drugs, essential oils, etc., represent the prices for wholesale quantities of standard pality. C.i.f. shipment quotations do not include marine war risk insurance and other abnormal charges which arise under the present state of emergency

28 Essex Street, W.C.2, July 17

teports to hand this week indicate that most markets are maintaining he steady tone that has been characteristic of business conditions generally uring the past few weeks. A reasonably good home consuming trade continues a most commodities, but importers are still disinclined, owing to uncertain conditions at many sources of supply, to undertake forward business. Importers should note the issue, by the Import Licensing Department, of the Board f Trade Notice to Importers, No. 82 (p. 30), which provides for modifications fopen general licences to import a considerable range of commodities handled by the drug trade. While many crude drugs will henceforth have to be imported under separate licences instead of under open general licence, agar, od-liver oil, natural gums and resins (except rosin and shellac), raw rubber, atural waxes and natural camphor are unaffected. Though not specifically mentioned in the Notice, it is understood that goods, at present under open nentioned in the Notice, it is understood that goods, at present under open eneral licence, which were dispatched before July 12 will, provided they arrive a this country before September 12, not require separate import licences. (Edical comment p. 33). In Pharmaceutical Chemicals a little better business reported this week, and no important price changes have been notified.

rude Drugs

Business in these products during the week has not been particularly active, nd has been confined mainly to supplying a steady demand from the home onsuming trade. Values generally are keeping firm. Kobe AGAR continues in teady demand, with values about level on the week. Some fair arrivals of teady demand, with values about level on the week. Some fair arrivals of Senzoin are reported. Japanese Camphor is quoted unchanged, but supplies re becoming limited. A high price is quoted for available supplies of Chamonies. Desiccated coconut is firmer. Shipment prices for Spanishortuguese Ergot have been further reduced. Honey continues firm, with quotations unchanged. Minas Ipecacuanna is reported in better demand. A etter inquiry is noted for Chinese Menthol; Japanese is neglected. It is eported that no difficulties are likely to arise in connexion with the export of the metal was recently prohibited by the United States Government except mader licence. Pepper has been in good demand during the week, and the Lampong variety is quoted easier on spot. ampong variety is quoted easier on spot.

Essential Oils

Only a moderate business in these products is reported but, owing to the low cyel of stocks and the difficulties of replacement, values are generally main-ained. A fair business is passing in Anise (star), and values are firm. The pot value of Bergamor continues nominal. Bots de rose continues a firm narket. Clove is in good inquiry and values are steady. Eucalyptus tends o be easier on spot. Geranium is firm. Lemongrass is quoted easier for hipment. Orange is slow on spot, with values about unchanged. Petitigrain outlines firm with values nominal. Starks is firm at recent supervisors. ontinues firm, with values nominal. Spike is firm at recent quotations.

Exchange Rates on London

The following is a list of the chief Continental and other exchange rates at he opening on Wednesday morning:—

Ce	entre		Quoted	Par	July 10	July 17
elgian Con uenos Air ava isbon ladrid ontreal New York hangbai			Frs. to £ Paper pesos to £ Florins to £ Esc. to £ Ptas. to £ Dols. to £ Dols. to £ Per dollar	nominal 12·107 110 25·24½ 4·86¾ nominal	1765* 17.07* 7.60* 100 37.25 4.45* 4.03* 3.6d.	1765* 17·02* 7·60* 100½ 37·25 4·45* 4·03* 4d.
tockholm okohama urich	::	::	Kr. to £ Per yen Frs. to £	18·150 28. 22·2115	16·90* 18. 33 ³ 6d. 17·80*	16·90* 18. 27d. 17·75*

* Rate fixed by Bank of England. Bank rate, 2 per cent.

Pharmaceutical Chemicals, etc.

A SOMEWHAT greater volume of business is reported this week, with prices generally firmly maintained.

ACETANILIDE.—Market is quiet and unchanged. B.P. leviss, for prompt lelivery, from 2s. 3d. to 2s. 5d. per lb., according to quantity.

AMIDOPYRINE.—Dealers' quotations unchanged; market firm: One cwt., about 21s. to 23s. per lb.; smaller quantities, up to about 27s. 6d. per lb. or crystals, with powder 3d. per lb. extra.

Aspirin.—Makers' prices continue steady:

	Overtites	In containers of								
	Quantity	ı lb.	2 lb.	4 lb.	7 lb.	14 lb.	28 lb.			
4 lb. 7 lb. 4 lb. 8 lb.	,, 5 cwt	 s. d. 3 10½ 3 9½ 3 8½ 3 7½ 3 6½ 2 11½ 2 11 2 10	s. d. 3 9 3 8 3 7 3 6 3 5 2 10 2 9 ¹ / ₂ 2 8 ¹ / ₂	s. d. 3 7343 3 643 3 543 3 543 2 99 2 81	s. d. 3 61 3 51 3 41 2 81 2 82 2 74	s. d. 3 5 3 4 2 9* 2 8½* 2 7½*	s. d. 3 3 3 2 2 8 2 7			

* 8 × 14 lb. and upwards in one delivery, \(\frac{1}{2}\)d. per lb. less. Sale is subject to an undertaking on part of buyer not to re-sell any quantity at prices or erms below scale for such quantity current at time re-sale is made, and, if he converts the aspirin into tablets, not to sell any quantity of tablets at prices or terms below scale for such quantity current at time of sale.

ASPIRIN TABLETS.—No change in makers' prices for bulk quantities: Under 5,000, 3s. $1\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 5,000, 2s. $11\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 10,000, 2s. $10\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 25,000, 2s. $8\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 50,000, 2s. $7\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 100,000, 2s. $6\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 250,000, 2s. 6d.; 500,000, 2s. $5\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 1,000,000, 2s. $4\frac{1}{2}$ d.; 2,000,000, 2s. $3\frac{1}{2}$ d. per 1,000. Re-sale clause applies to all bulk sales

BARBITONE. -Market firm; values unchanged, as follows: Spot, one cwt., 22s. per lb.; 28 lb., 23s.; smaller quantities, up to 26s., ex store.

Benzaldehyde.—Values are unchanged at about 2s. 9d. to 3s. per lb., with supplies limited.

Benzoic acid (B.P.).—Continues steady. Quoted at from 2s. per lb. for bulk quantities up to 2s. 3d. per lb. for small parcels.

Benzyl benzoate.—Makers are quoting at from 2s. 9d. to 3s. per lb., with supplies limited.

BISMUTH SALTS.—Makers' prices per lb. for the following are unchanged:—

			Under 4 lb.	4 lb. and under 8 lb.	8 lb. and under 28 lb.	28 lb. and under 1 cwt.	Not less than 1 cwt.
			s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Carbonate	 	 	II 3	10 9	10 0	8 7	8 4
Citrate	 	 	13 4	12 10	12 1	10 4	IO I
Nitrate, cryst	 	 	7 7	7 I	6 4	5 7	5 4
Oxide	 	 	15 4	14 10	14 1	12 0	11 9
Salicylate	 	 	II Q	11 3	10 6	9 0	8 9
Subchloride	 	 	14 11	14 5	13 8	11 8	11 5
Subgallate	 	 	11 11	11 5	10 8	9 2	8 11
Subnitrate	 	 	9 11	9 5	8 8	7 6	7 3

Rebate of threepence per lb. allowed off 1-cwt. prices on sales of not less than 2 cwt., or against contracts of not less than 2 cwt., provided whole of contract quantity is ordered within three months. Prices net. Payments in fourteen days. For quantities of 28 lb. and upwards in the home trade, an extra charge of threepence per lb. is made for 1-lb. cartons and 1-lb. parcels, and it is a condition of re-sale that this extra charge shall apply even when repeaking into 1-lb. cartons or 1-lb. parcels is effected by the purchaser. Smaller quantities than 28 lb. are not subject to this extra charge. Under present conditions all prices and sale conditions are named without creagement. conditions are named without engagement.

Borax (B.P.).—Steady at makers' prices. Granulated, £31; crystals, £32; powder, £32 ros., in 1-cwt. bags, carriage paid in Great Britain, for minimum one-ton lots. Commercial quality, £8 per ton less.

Boric acid (B.P.).—Makers' prices are steady: Granulated, £45 10s.; crystals, £46s. 10s.; powder, £47 10s. per ton, in cwt. bags, carriage paid in Great Britain, for minimum one-ton lots. Commercial qualities, £8 per ton less.

BROMIDES.—No change in makers' scales of prices: Potassium, B.P., not less than 5 cwt., 2s. 2d. per lb.; 1 cwt., 2s. 3d.; 28 lb., 2s. 9½d. Sodium, B.P., not less than 5 cwt., 2s. 4½d. per lb.; 1 cwt., 2s. 5½d.; 28 lb., 3s. Ammonium, B.P.C., not less than 5 cwt., 2s. 5½d. per lb.; 1 cwt., 2s. 5½d.; 28 lb., 3s. 1d. Net. Rise-and-fall and re-sale clauses apply. Without engagement. Special prices for larger quantities. 28-lb. parcels and 1-cwt. cases or keys free kegs free.

Caffeine.—The spot value of any foreign material would be as follows: Pure, less than 56 lb., 23s. 6d. per lb.; 56 lb., 23s.; 1 cwt., 22s. 6d. Citrate, less than 56 lb., 16s. per lb.; 56 lb., 15s. 6d.; 1 cwt., 15s. per lb.

CALCIUM LACTATE.—Makers continue to quote at up to 1s. 8d. per lb. for small quantities.

CITRATES.—Makers' scales of prices continue steady:—

D P	In containers of								
Potassium, B.	ı lb.	2 lb.	4 lb.	7 lb.	r‡lb.	28 lb.			
Under 4 lb. 4 lb. and under 7 lb. 7 lb. and under 14 lb. 14 lb. and under 28 lb. 28 lb. and under 1 cwt.		s. d. 3 0 2 11 2 10 2 9 2 8	s. d. 2 10½ 2 9½ 2 8½ 2 7½ 2 6½	s. d. 2 9½ 2 8½ 2 7½ 2 6½	s. d. 2 74 2 64 2 54	s. d. 2 6½ 2 5½	s. d. 2 5		

28-lb. tins charged 2s. each.

Sodium, B.P., one penny per lb. below corresponding prices for Potassium, B.P. Iron and ammonium (scales), B.P., threepence per lb. above corresponding prices for Potassium, B.P. Prices net. All packages charged extra. It is a condition of sale that buyers undertake not to re-sell at prices below the values given.

CITRIC ACID (B.P. CRYSTALS).—Makers continue to quote nominal at is. 2d. per lb., less 5 per cent. discount, for home consumers

COCAINE.--British makers' quotations for wholesale bulk quantities are as follows: Hydrochloride and Nitrate, 25 oz. and over, 29s. 9d.; 16 oz. as follows: Hydrochloride and Nitrate, 25 oz. and over, 29s. 9d.; 16 oz. and less than 25 oz., 30s. 9d.; over 8 oz. and less than 16 oz., 31s. 9d. per oz. Pure, citrate, and salicylate, 25 oz. and over, 32s. 6d.; 16 oz. and less than 25 oz., 33s. 6d.; over 8 oz. and less than 16 oz., 34s. 6d. per oz., 16 oz. packages free. Smaller packing extra. The scale of prices applicable to distributors of smaller quantities is as follows: Hydrochloride and Nitrate, 8 oz., 34s. 1d.; 4 oz. and less than 8 oz., 34s. 7d.; 2 oz. and less than 4 oz., 35s. 5d.; 1 oz. and less than 2 oz., 36s. 5d.; ½ oz. and less than 1 oz., 37s. 11d.; ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 36s. 5d.; ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 37s. 11d.; ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 39s. 2d., ½ oz. and less than 1 oz., 40s. 8d.; ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 39s. 2d., ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 40s. 8d.; ½ oz. and less than 2 oz., 40s. 8d. per oz., packages extra. Re-sale: Sales are subject to buyers' undertaking not to re-sell any quantity below the scale of prices for such quantity current at the time of re-sale. Export prices vary according to destination. CREAM OF TARTAR (B.P.).—Makers' price for home trade continues nominal at 1298. 6d. per cwt., less $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. discount, with supplies restricted to regular consumer customers.

CREOSOTE (BEECHWOOD).—Dealers' quotations are unchanged at about 4s. 6d. for bulk quantities in 25-kilo demijolms; for smaller quantities, up to 5s. per lb., ex store.

EMETINE HYDROCHLORIDE.—Makers continue to quote at from 100s. to 104s. per oz., as to quantity.

GUAIACOL CARBONATE.—Makers' and dealers' quotations unchanged at from 12s. 6d. to 13s. per lb., ex store, as to quantity.

GUAIACOL (CRYSTALS).—No change in makers' quotations, which range between ros. 9d. and ris. 6d. per lb., as to quantity. Liquid, from ros. 6d. upwards, as to quantity.

HOMATROPINE.—Makers' scales of prices continue steady:-

		gm.	oz.	4 oz.	16 oz.
Alkaloid Hydrochloride Hydrobromide Sulphate	 	 3s. 6d. 2s. 8d. 2s. 8d. 2s. 8d.	85s. 65s. 65s. 65s.	80s. 60s. 60s. 60s.	75s. oz. 55s. oz. 55s. oz. 55s. oz.

Bottles, under 5 gm. or 4 oz., corked, 3d.; stoppered, 5d.; 5 gm. to 25 gm. or 4 oz. to 1 oz., corked, 3\frac{1}{2}d.; stoppered, 6d.; 25 gm. or 1 oz., corked, 3\frac{1}{2}d.; stoppered, 7\frac{1}{2}d.; 50 gm. or 2 oz., corked, 4d.; stoppered, 9d. each; 100 gm. and over, included in price; tubes, per 100, 5-gr., 10s. 6d.; 10-gr., 12s. 3d.; 15-gr., 14s.

lodides.—Makers' scales of prices steady: Potassium, B.P., not less than 1 cwt., 8s.; 28 lb., 8s. 6d.; 14 lb., 9s.; 7 lb., 10s. 2d.; 4 lb., 10s. 8d.; smaller quantities, 11s. 2d. per lb. Sodium, B.P., not less than 28 lb., 8s. 10d.; 14 lb., 9s. 4d.; 7 lb., 10s. 9d.; 4 lb., 11s. 5d.; smaller quantities, 12s. 3d. per lb. Iodine, B.P., resub., not less than 1 cwt., 9s. 2d.; 28 lb., 9s. 8d.; 14 lb., 10s. 2d.; 7 lb., 11s. 7d.; 4 lb., 12s. 3d.; smaller quantities, 13s. per lb. Iodine, B.P., (cryst., precip. or powder), not less than 28 lb., 11s. 4d.; 14 lb., 11s. 10d.; 7 lb., 13s. 9d.; 4 lb., 14s. 7d.; smaller quantities, 13s. per lb. Contracts for 1 cwt. and upwards (assorted if desired) for delivery as required during three months, with the following clause: Price applicable to any delivery is that in force on date of dispatch. One-cwt. cases charged extra; 28-lb. tins 2s. each and non-returnable. All bottles charged for but credited in full if received back carriage-paid in good condition within three months. Carriage paid on any quantity. Assorted quantities charged for at collective total prices on orders for 14 lb. and upwards. It is a condition of sale that buyers undertake not to resell any quantity at prices or terms below scale for such quantity current at time re-sale is made. scale for such quantity current at time re-sale is made.

Lactic acid (B.P.).—Not much business passing: Quantities, in 1-cwt. carboys, about is. 8½d. per lb.; in winchesters and bottles, about is. 9d. to 2s. per lb., ex store, according to quantity.

METHYL SULPHONAL.—A small supply on spot is valued at about 40s. to 42s. 6d. per lb., ex store.

PHENACETIN.—Makers' prices for ordinary quantities continue at from 3s. 6d. to 3s. 9d. per lb., and quotations are given without engagement. Little material is in dealers' hands, and prices continue firm from 7s. to 7s. 9d.

PHENAZONE.—Market steady and quict: Dealers' prices range between 18s. per lb. for bulk quantities and 22s. for small parcels, ex store.

Phenolphthalein.—Continues steady at makers' prices: Less than 7 lb.

35. 8d. per lb.; 7 lb., 3s. 7d.; 14 lb., 3s. 6d.; 28 lb., 3s. 5d.; ne cwt., 3s. 4d. Phenylethylbarbituric acid (B.P.).—Market firm, with limited supplies in London. Quotations unchanged from 30s. to 32s. 6d. per lb., in bottles, according to quantity.

PIPERAZINE.—Bulk quantities would be valued at about 75s. per lb., and small lots, in 1-oz bottles, at about 5s. 6d. to 6s. per oz.

Potassium permanganate.—Steady at makers' scale of prices:—

				В.Р. (Quality	Technical		
Minimum delivery of				In r-cwt. drums	In 5-cwt. drums	In 1-cwt. drums	In 5-cwt. drums	
				Per lb.	Per lb.	Per cwt.	Per cwt.	
				s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	
I cwt. up				 I 5½		161 6		
3 cwt. up				 r 5	_	157 0		
5 cwt. up				 1 43	1 4 ³ / ₄	154 6	152 0	
I ton up				 I 4½	I 44	152 0	149 6	
4 tons up				 I 4½	I 4	149 6	147 3	

Terms: Net, delivered nearest railway station in Great Britain; drums extra aud returnable.

QUININE.—Now quoted in dollars, the price being 57 American dollars per 100 oz. for sulphate, f.o.b. Java. Supplies in dealers' hands are quoted at in the region of 3s. 2d. to 3s. 3d. per oz.

RESORCIN.—Makers' prices are unchanged, as follows: Not less than 7 lb., 7s. 3d. per lb.; not less than 14 lb., 7s.; not less than 56 lb., 6s. 1od.; not less than 1 cwt., 6s. 9d. Dealers' prices for any spot material would be about 8s. 6d. to 9s. per lb.

SACCHARIN.—The duty-paid Convention price for 550 material continues at 98s. 4d. per lb., with supplies limited. Neither wholesale nor retail prices are under Government control.

SALOL.—Prices are firm and range between 6s. 9d. and 7s. per lb., according to quantity.

SODIUM BARBITONE.--No change in values, as follows: One cwt., 23s. per lb.; 28 lb., 24s.; smaller quantities, 27s., ex store.

Sodium benzoate.—Steady at former quotations: Spot, about is. iod. to 2s. per lb., with only limited supplies available.

Sodium salicylate (B.P.).—Makers' quotations are as follows:—

In containers of	ī lb.	2 lb.	4 lb.	7 lb.	14 lb.	28 lb.
Under 4 lb. 4 lb. and under 7 lb. 7 lb. and under 14 lb. 14 lb. and under 28 lb. 128 lb. and under 28 lb. 1 cwt. and under 5 cwt. 5 cwt. and under 1 ton 1 ton	 s. d. 3 0 2 II 2 IO 2 9 2 8 2 3 2 2½ 2 2	s. d. 2 10 1 2 2 8 1 2 2 7 2 2 1 2 2 1 2 0 2	s. d. 2 9 1 2 8 4 2 7 4 2 6 4 2 0 3 4 2 0 1 2 0 1 4 2 0 1 2	s. d. 2 7344 2 6434 2 2 554 2 0 4434 1 1134	s. d. 	s. d.

* 8 × 14 lb. and upwards, in one delivery, ½d. lb. less.

Prices include parcels or collapsible cartons; other packages charged extra. Can be assorte with salicylic acid. Prices are quoted subject to an undertaking on part of buyer not t re-sell any quantities of above product at prices or terms below scale for such quantitic current at time re-sale is made.

Sulphonal.—Dealers' spot prices are now between 34s. and 35s. per lb. according to quantity.

Tartaric acid (B.P. crystals).—Makers' nominal price continues un changed at is. 8\frac{3}{4}d. per lb., less 5 per cent. discount, with supplies reserved t regular consumer customers. Small supplies of foreign material are quote at about 3s. per lb.

THEOBROMINE.—Any foreign material on spot would be at the followin, prices: Pure, less than 56 lb., 23s. 6d. per lb.; 56 lb., 23s.; I cwt. 22s. 6d. per lb.

Vanillin.—Makers' prices continue unchanged: Ex clove oil or guaiacol five cwt., 14s. 6d. per lb.; one cwt., 14s. 7½d.; 56 lb., 14s. 9d.; less that 56 lb., 15s. carriage paid in the United Kingdom.

Crude Drugs, etc.

While business has not been particularly active, and mainly confined to meeting home-consuming demand, values are generally firm.

ACONITE ROOT.—Not much material in first hands. Value would be around 140s. per cwt., ex store.

AGAR.—Spot values are about level on the week and a fair demand is reported Spot, Kobe No. 1, about 8s. 3d. per lb.; Kobe No. 2, about 8s.; Yokohama No. 1, about 7s. 10½d. per lb., duty paid, ex warehouse. There are still no shipment offers from Japan. Several arrivals are reported, but these are no being offered at cheap prices.

Alkanet root.—90s. per cwt. would be the approximate value of any spo material available, ex store.

ALOES.—A fair demand is noted for Curação, and quotations continue a about 290s. to 310s. per cwt., ex store, according to quality. No forward business is reported, but offers via New York are now at about 230s. to 240s per cwt., c.i.f. Cape, steady, quotations unchanged; spot, around 60s. per cwt. Zanzibar leaves, if available, about 90s. per cwt., ex store.

ANTIMONY.—Quotations for English regulus are at £106; Continenta regulus, £99 per ton, duty paid; Chinese, crude, quoted at £98 per ton.

Balsams.—Values continue fully steady, with supplies of all description limited. *Tolu*, about 7s. 6d. per lb. *Canada*, quoted at about 5s. 6d. per lb *Copaiba*, Para, is worth about 3s. 6d. to 3s. 9d. per lb. *Peru*, about 8s. 9d. pe lb. All duty paid.

Belladonna.—Supplies of root and leaves in first hands appear to be negligible, and prices would have to be negotiated.

Benzoin.—Spot market is steady, and there have been recent fair arrivals Sumatra, on spot, quoted unchanged at about £5 10s, to £6 15s, per cwt. according to quality.

BISMUTH METAL.—The current price is unchanged at one dollar 25 cents per lb., ex store.

Buchu.—Spot demand continues slow. New crop is quoted at in the region of 2s. 8d. to 3s. per lb., according to quality.

Camphor.—Japanese material has been in fair demand this week, supplies are now somewhat limited. Spot, tablets, about 5s. 9d. per lb.; slabs about 5s. 4d.; and powder, in limited supply, about 5s. 5d. per lb., all duty paid. No shipment offers reported from Japan. Continental synthetic powder 5s. 3d.; tablets, 5s. 6d. per lb., ex store. English refined quoted as follows Flowers, one cwt., 5s. 9d.; 28 lb., 5s. 10d.; less than 28 lb., 5s. 11d. per lb Transparent tablets, \{-oz., one cwt., 6s. 3d.; 28 lb., 6s. 4d.; less than 28 lb. 6s. 5d. per lb.

Cantharides.—Small supplies of Russian are reported available at about 6s. per lb., ex store.

CARDAMOMS.—Values are steady; market quiet. Ceylon, spot, about 3s. to 5s. per lb., according to quality; Bombay seed, about 4s. 6d. per lb. Mangalore seed, about 4s. 3d.; Aleppy greens, about 3s. 2d. per lb.

CASCARA SAGRADA.—A limited quantity of 1939 peel is reported offered at about 87s. 6d. to 95s. per cwt., duty paid, according to quality. Offers of new-crop bark from the Pacific coast continue in the region of 62s. 6d. to 70s. per cwt., c.i.f.

CASCARILLA.—Demand remains quiet; quotations unchanged. Spot, about is. 6d. per lb.; siftings, about is. 4d. per lb.

Chamomiles .-- 400s. per cwt., ex store, would be the approximate price for good white flowers on spot.

CLOVES.—Market firmer, with a fair amount of business passing. Spot, Zanzibar, 8½d. per lb.; shipment, July-August, 9d. per lb., c.i.f.; Madagascar, 8d. per lb., in bond, nominal.

COCOA BUTTER.—The spot value of prime English is now is. 2d. per lb. duty paid, ex wharf; foreign is at is. id. per lb., duty paid, ex store London.

COCONUT (DESICCATED).—Market firmer. Fine, on spot, now quoted at bout 31s. 6d. per cwt.; medium at about 30s. 6d. per cwt. Business is eported done in halves at 32s. per cwt., c.i.f.

COD LIVER OIL.—Quotations for finest-quality British medicinal oil are

Cop Liver oil.—Quotations for finest-quality British medicinal oil are tominal. The position with regard to the Norwegian product is unchanged. The Newfoundland Trade Commissioner states that the demand from Great Britain for Kewfoundland cod liver oil has increased, as indicated by the high prices offered. No official ction has been taken to divert supplies of Newfoundland medicinal cod liver oil to the United tingdom. The Trade Commissioner states that the fishermen are demanding a much higher rice for cod livers and this may affect production of medicinal oil during the present summer shing. The summer fishing has commenced; no production figures are yet available.

COLCHICUM.—Spot price for any material available would be about 1s. 9d. er lb., ex store.

COLOCYNTH.—Dealers are quoting pulp, on spot, at about is. 4d. per lb., ex

Dandelion Root.—Supplies in first hands appear to be depleted, and no juotations are available.

Derris root.—Market quiet; quotations unchanged. Root testing about 8 per cent. ether extract is valued on spot at about 8d. per lb. Root of about to 5 per cent. rotenone content would be worth about is. 2d. per lb., if vailable. No shipment offers.

DIGITALIS LEAVES.—Any available supplies in dealers' hands would be worth bout 140s. to 150s. per cwt., ex store.

Ergot.—Spanish-Portuguese continues to be valued on spot at about 28. 6d. per lb. Values quoted for forward shipment have been further educed, and a figure as low as 8s. 6d. per lb., c.i.f., for July-August shipment

GAMBOGE.—Not much inquiry. Good-quality Siam pipe quoted at about 25 to £26 per cwt., duty paid.

GENTIAN, - Supplies in first hands are now severely limited, but any material vailable would be worth about 150s, per cwt., ex store.

-Market quiet, with spot and forward quotations about un-GINGER.—Market quiet, with spot and forward quotations about the hanged. West African is quoted on spot at about 28s. per cwt.; shipment, lly-August, 23s., c.i.f., nominal. Jamaican, spot, small medium, 52s. 6d.; old, in barrels, 85s. per cwt., ex store. Cochin, unwashed, 45s. per cwt., ex tore; shipment, 33s. per cwt., c.i.f.

GUM ACACIA.—Values steady and unchanged. Kordofan cleaned sorts alued on spot at about 3os. per cwt.; shipment values nominal.

HENBANE.—Spot in poor supply; values nominal.

Henna.—About 65s. per cwt., ex store, is quoted for new-crop Egyptian

Honey.—Market continues firm, with quotations unchanged. Jamaican quoted nominal at about 90s. to 105s. per cwt. Canadian, about 100s. to Tamaican oss. per cwt., ex store, and Australian, about 85s. per cwt., ex store. Supplies imited.

HYDRASTIS.—Little business on spot; prices maintained at about 20s. per lb. for untested root, and at about 23s. per lb. for tested material.

IPECACUANHA.—Matto Grosso root of good test continues to be firmly reld for about 28s. per lb., ex store; shipment, July-August, remains firm at bout 24s. 9d. per lb., c.i.f. A rather better demand is reported for Minas, which is quoted on spot at about 12s. 6d. to 14s. 6d. per lb., according to eller; shipment, July-August, about 8s. per lb. c.i.f. Ext. 1PECAC. L1Q., 5s. 6d. per lb. for minimum lots of twelve winchesters.

LAVENDER FLOWERS:—Good blue flowers would be worth about is. 9d. er lb. on spot, if available.

MENTHOL.—Market steady as quoted. Chinese has been in better demand, and a fair business has been done. Spot, quoted at about 16s. to 16s. 6d. oer lb., duty paid, according to brand; shipment, August-September, offered about 14s. 9d. per lb., c.i.f. Japanese neglected.

-Price quoted per bottle of 34.5 kilos is unchanged at £54 10s.,

x warehouse London, without engagement and subject to confirmation.
United States production of mercury during 1939 amounted (according to American ources) to 18,633 flasks of 76 lb. each, compared with 17,991 flasks in the preceding year.

Orange peel.—Some thin-cut, about due to arrive, is valued at about s. to 3s. 3d. per lb. Bitter quarters, if available, would be worth about 4s. 4d. per lb.

Orris root.—Fair Florentine sorts would be valued at about 160s. per ext., ex store, if available.

Pepper.—Demand has been fair this week; Lampong, in bond, spot, nuoted easier at 2\frac{1}{3}d. per lb.; shipment, July-August, 2\frac{1}{3}d., ci.f. Tellicherry, pot, 4\frac{1}{2}d.; shipment, July-August, 34s. per cwt., c.i.f. Aleppy, spot, 4\frac{1}{3}d.; hipment, July-August, 34s. per cwt., c.i.f. White Muntok, spot, duty paid, asier at 4\frac{1}{3}d.; in bond, 4\frac{1}{3}d.; shipment, July-August, 3\frac{1}{3}d. per lb., c.i.f.

PIMENTO.—Market continues quiet, with both spot and forward shipments unchanged. Spot, about rold. per lb.; shipment, new-crop, August-September, 2s. 6d. per cwt., c.i.f.

Quillaia Bark .- Quoted at in the region of 75s. per cwt., ex store.

Rhubarb.—Good inquiry is reported for all-pinky rough-round, but little s available on spot. Ordinary-quality rough-round is quoted at from 4s. 10\frac{1}{2}d. 0 5s. 3d. per lb., duty paid. Some Shensi afloat and due early in August is valued at about 7s. 6d. per lb.

RUBBER.—Market closed dull, with only a small business passing. Standard ibbed smoked sheet, spot, 12d.; shipment, July, 12d.; August, 11åd.; September, 11åd.; October-December, 11åd.; January-March, 11åd. per lb.

SEEDS.—ANISE.—Spot, Bulgarian, 85s., in bond, and 90s., duty paid. CANARY.—Spot, duty paid, Mazagan, 28s. 6d.; Morocco, 28s.; Plate, 28s. 6d. CARAWAY.—Spot, Dutch, quoted at 150s. to 155s., duty paid. CORIANDER.—Market dearer. Spot, Morocco, sold at 30s., duty paid. Sellers now quote 32s. 6d. CUMIN.—Little available. Spot, Morocco, sold at 95s., duty paid;

90s. quoted, in bond. Dill.—Spot, Indian, 36s., duty free, ex London or Liverpool. Fennel.—Spot, Indian, 52s. 6d. to 57s. 6d., duty free. Iran, 52s. to 55s., in bond. Fenugreek.—Spot, Morocco, quoted at 21s., duty paid, and 19s., in bond. Mustard.—Spot, 60s. to 72s. 6d., according to quality.

Senega.—Spot supplies are limited, and held for about 3s. 9d. to 4s. per lb.; shipment, July-August, offered at about 2s. 6d. per lb., c.i.f.

SENNA.—Market continues firm as quoted. Best pale hand-picked Tinnevelly pods are worth about 10\frac{3}{4}d. per lb., with darker grades at between 6\frac{1}{4}d. and 7\frac{1}{4}d.; f.a.q., 5\frac{1}{4}d. per lb.; leaves, valued at about 8\frac{3}{4}d. for No. 1, 5\frac{1}{2}d. for No. 2, and 4\frac{1}{2}d. for No. 3. Hand-picked Alexandrian are nominal, with not much available on spot.

Shellac.—Market quiet; quotations unchanged. Spot, standard TN orange, 80s.; pure button, 105s.; fine orange, 110s. to 150s. per cwt.

STRAMONIUM LEAVES.—Spot value for any leaves obtainable would be about 85s. per cwt.

Tonka beans.—Fair frosted Para beans quoted at from 2s. to 2s. 6d. per lb. as to quality and quantity, ex store. Angostura, spot, 9s. per lb. Business continues quict.

Tragacanth.—Market quiet. Finest selected white ribbon firm, with sellers at £88, supplies scarce. No. 1, white, £80; No. 2, white, £70; No. 3, white, £55; pale leaf, £30; amber leaf, £22; red leaf, from £10 ros. Woody and hoggy, from £5. All prices are per cwt., ex store London.

TURMERIC.—Spot, Madras finger, 42s. 6d.; Rajapore, 43s. It is reported that no freight is available for turmeric from India.

Valerian root.—Little material is in first hands, and the value would be about 300s. per cwt., ex store.

Waxes.—Bees': Market steady. Spot, from 172s. 6d.; in bond, 157s. 6d.; shipment, Dar-es-Salaam, 162s. 6d. per cwt., c.i.f. Japanese, first three brands, spot, 120s., duty paid; 110s., in bond; shipment, 110s., c.i.f. Carnauba: Fatty grey, 375s.; chalky grey, spot, 365s.; Primeira, spot, 475s.

Essential and Expressed Oils, etc.

Business in these commodities has been on the quiet side during the week, and quotations are mostly about unchanged.

Almond.—Small inquiry; Spot, expressed, about 3s. 5d. to 3s. 11d. per lb., in cwt. lots, and up to about 4s. 3d. for smaller quantities, ex store. Genuine French bitter quoted at about 13s. 6d. to 14s. 6d. per lb., ex store.

Anise.—A fair business passing at firm prices. Spot, tins in cases, about s. 3d. per lb.; drums, about 4s. 1½d.; leads, about 4s. 4½d. per lb.; no shipment offers.

AVOCADO PEAR.—No change in spot quotation of from 55s. to 57s. per gall., delivered; smaller quantities at higher prices.

BAY.—Value on spot would be from 5s. 3d. to 6s. per lb., ex store, according to quality.

Bergamot.—Spot values for this product are nominal.

Bois de Rose.—Market firm; spot quoted at about ios. per lb.; no shipment offers.

Cassia.—Spot market continues firm, with leads valued at about 5s. 9d. per lb. and drums at lower figures.

CITRONELLA.—Fair amount of interest continues, with the Ceylon product quoted steady at former figures: Spot, about 2s. 4d. to 2s. 6d. per lb., in drums; small quantities, up to about 3s. per lb.; shipment, drums, about 1s. 6½d. per lb., c.i.f. Java, quoted, unchanged at about 2s. 6d. to 3s. per lb., for spot supplies; shipment continues at in the region of 1s. 9d. per lb.,

CIVET.—Highest-quality material is now quoted on spot at about 30s. to 35s. per oz.

CLOVE.—Continues to attract fair inquiry, and some small business has been done on spot at steady prices. Madagascar is quoted unchanged at about 5s. 6d. upwards per lb., in drums, if available. English distilled continues firm at about 7s. to 7s. 3d. per lb., according to quantity.

EUCALYPTUS.—Spot quotations for 70 to 75 per cent. oil continue at about 4s. to 4s. 6d. per lb., according to holder; shipment prices are nominal at about 3s. per lb., c.i.f.

GERANIUM.—Firm, with little material available. Bourbon, spot, nominal at in the region of 20s. per lb., for good quality oil. Algerian, unchanged at about 24s. 6d. per lb.; no shipment offers.

GRAPEFRUIT.—Genuine Californian oil is quoted at about 12s. 6d. and genuine Florida oil at about 11s. 6d. per lb.

Lemon.—No change in the position of Sicilian hand-pressed, which continues nominal on spot, and for which prices would have to be negotiated. Regular-quality Californian distilled, quoted at 9s. 6d. per lb., ex wharf; shipment prices for cold-pressed are not available.

Lemongrass.—The value of spot oil is now at about 4s. to 4s. 6d. per lb.: shipment is again easier at about 3s. or less per lb., c.i.f.

LIME.—Genuine West Indian continues to be quoted at about 30s. per lb., with other qualities at lower prices.

LINSEED.—The controlled price for large bulk quantities of crude, naked ex works, is unchanged at the recent reduction to £44 per ton. Distributors' prices for ordinary quantities of crude or boiled, packed and carriage paid. would be at higher figures.

NEROLI.—Genuine pure French oil is now quoted at over 80s. per oz.

OLIVE.—The Ministry of Food controlled price paid by importers for large-bulk quantities in 50-gall. drums is unchanged. Distributors' prices for a few gallons, packed in gallon tins, carriage paid, now range from 12s. 6d. to 13s. 6d. per gall., according to quantity.

Orange.—Although the market is slow, values continue about steady. French Guinea oil is quoted at around 5s. 6d. to 6s. per lb. Californian is quoted in sterling at 4s. 1od. per lb., in small drums, ex store, duty paid, limited supplies only being available.

Otto of Rose.—60s. per oz. is the approximate value of Bulgarian today. Palmarosa.—Firm and unchanged. Spot, about 12s. 6d. per lb., ex store; shipment, around 10s. 9d. per lb., c.i.f.

PATCHOULI.—About 45s. per lb. is the spot value of genuine Singapore oil. Seychelles oil is quoted at about 42s. 6d. per lb., nominal, with supplies limited no shipment offers.

Peppermint.—A good demand for Japanese oil is reported, and spot supplies are now limited; the spot value would be about 9s. 6d. per lb. Chinese, on spot, would be worth about 7s. to 7s. 3d. per lb., according to seller; some afloat material due to arrive early in August is quoted at about 7s. 6d. per lb., landed. American natural oil continues steady and is quoted at 14s. 3d., in drums and 14s. 6d. in tins in cases, c.i.f. Spot, about 16s. per lb., ex store.

PETITGRAIN.—Continues firm, with quotations unchanged. Spot is quoted at 10s. 6d. to 12s. 6d. per lb., nominal; no shipment offers.

ROSEMARY.—Spanish oil would be worth about 4s. 6d. to 5s. per lb., ex store, if available.

SANDALWOOD.—Genuine East Indian Mysore, in one-case lots, 19s. per lb. East Indian, produced outside the province of Mysore, 18s. per lb. for bulk quantities. English-made West Indian, 15s. per lb.; Australian one-case lots, 16s., and five-cwt. lots, 15s. 6d. per lb.

SPIKE.—Good-quality Spanish continues firm at approximately 10s, per lb., ex store.

Turpentine (American).—Steady: London, 54s. 9d. per cwt., tax paid, in barrels, ex wharf; Liverpool, 61s., in barrels, ex store.

VETIVERT.—The value of Bourbon on spot would be about 35s. per lb., and Java, about 27s. 6d. to 30s. per lb., ex store. Some oil is expected shortly from Kenya; this will be worth about 25s. per lb.

WORMSEED.—Steady and unchanged. Spot, around 24s. 6d. per lb.; shipment, about 23s. per lb., c.i.f.

ZANZIBAR CLOVE REPORT

The Clove Growers' Association of Zanzibar has issued the following report for the quarter ended March 31, 1940:— The most noticeable feature has been the absence of demand from markets in India; other markets have remained quiet, and buying has obviously been confined to actual requirements. The Dutch East Indies were again the largest buyers. Local prices have fluctuated somewhat, mainly due to late covering by shippers, who sometimes found the market relatively short of supplies when they were filling orders. The vuli or late picking came on to the market during the quarter and seems to have been in the vicinity of a lakh frasilas (25,000 standard bales) of which about a third was of Zanzibar production. The supplies and exports during the quarter were:—Zanzibar cloves, supplies, 1,385,513 lb.; Pemba cloves, supplies, 2,362,060 lb.; exports to all destinations, 4.032,126 lb.

Export destinations and quantities were:—

	Bales	lb.
Dutch East Indies	 12,188	1,706,250
Bombay and Indian ports	 2,681	375,400
America, North and South	 6,570	919,720
United Kingdom and Europe	 5,084	711,800
Straits Settlements	 5	700
All other destinations	 2,273	318,256

In terms of standard bales (140 lb. net) supplies were 26,768 and exports 28,801. Of the total exports the Association supplied 1,996,075 lb. or 49.5 per cent. of the total. Exports of cloves from Madagascar during 1939 were at 6,417 tons (410,689 frasilas) the largest so far recorded. Distribution was as follows:—

_	lb.	Percentage of total
Dutch East Indies	 5,025,448	34.96
Bombay and Indian ports	 2,639,056	18.36
America, North and South	 2,130,645	14.82
United Kingdom and Europe	 3,568,788	24.83
All other destinations	 1.010.204	7:03

Zanzibar and Madagascar exports during 1939 totalled 19,603 tons (1,254,592 frasilas or 313,648 standard bales) and, adding the oil exports of the two countries, world markets purchased 20,069 tons of cloves and clove products during 1939. This is the largest quantity so far recorded.

Clove Stems.—Supplies during the quarter were 1,407,653 lb. The distillery absorbed 1,512,852 lb. (slightly more than during the previous quarter). Oil exports were 85,544 lb. For the nine months of the seasonal year supplies of stems totalled 4,943,519 lb.; oil exports 267,466 lb. Exports of oil from Madagascar during 1939 totalled 677,510 lb.

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Proprietaries under National Health Insurance

SIR,—The report of a meeting of the Stirling Insurance Committee (C. & D., July 13, p. 18) indicates that a chemist member did not receive an adequate and final answer to questions sent to the Committee. Whatever an Insurance Committee may direct, some doctors will prescribe proprietaries, and traditionally a chemist is expected to dispense a prescription as written, and not to make any alteration without the consent of the doctor. If the chemist refers the prescription back to the doctor, and the latter insists that the proprietary shall be dispensed, would the Stirling Committee pay for or disallow it? If on the other hand the chemist dispensed the equivalent in accordance with the Committee's instructions, without reference to the prescriber, what would be his position in relation to the doctor and also to the manufacturer of the proprietary? The doctor might argue that he did not get the same beneficial results from the use of the equivalent, and therefore the chemist's action was detrimental to his patient, and the manufacturer might claim that it was a case of substitution or infringement of his trade mark. Would it be sufficient defence for the chemist to say that he was obeying the Committee's instructions? Then what, or who, is to be the authority to fix a standard of equivalents? former editions of the National Insurance Formulary and in the British Pharmaceutical Codex there used to be a list of proprietary drugs and their equivalents. Would inclusion of any drugs in such a list be a sufficient argument for a chemist to rely on?—Yours faithfully,

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Head and Nerve Powders.—T. L. (12/7).—Several good formulas of the type you have in mind are included in "Pharmaceutical Formulas," Vol. II, and the following are examples taken from this publication:—

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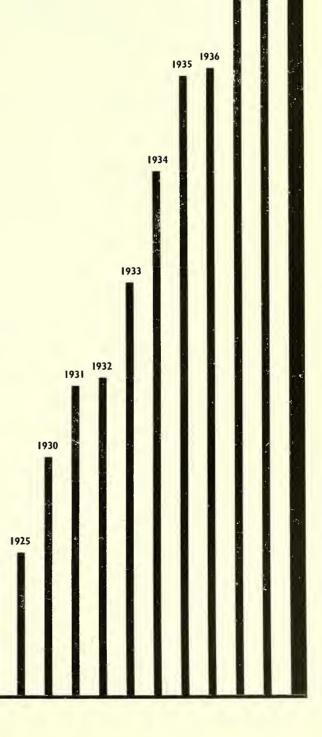
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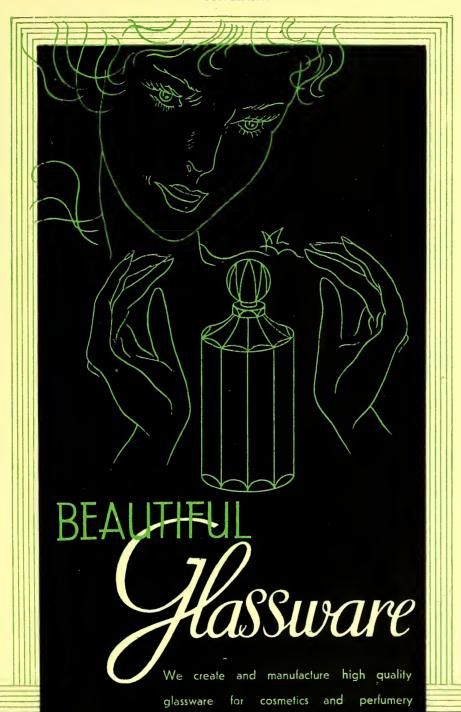
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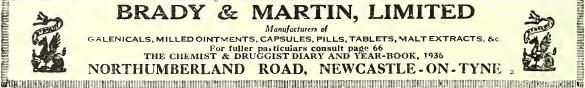
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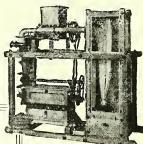
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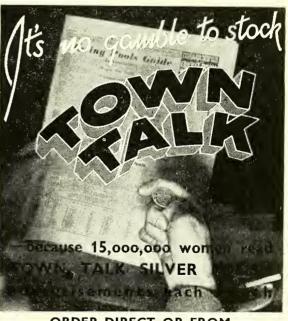
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